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Mordechai, Sharon big winners in Likud

SARAH HONIG

YITZHAK Mordeehai confounded all the polisters and came out on top of the heap in the Likud primaries, followed by MK Ariel Sharon, regarded as the true hig winner in terms of his political power play. MKs Ze'ev (Benny) Begin and

Dan Meridor found themselves fourth and sixth in the national race. Begin was preceded by Knesset faction chairman Moshe Katsav, and Jerusalem Mayor Ehud Olmert at the very last minute edged ahead of Meridor. This left open the question of whether Begin and Meridor were, as rumored, targets of a deliberate campaign to push them down the

The 43rd slot on the ticket was still hotly contested last night, with Herzliya Mayor Eli Landau appealing the victory of Yossi Olmert in the Sharon region. (Full list, Page 3)

The real results were far different than the projections pollsters gave Channel 1 and Channel 2 just after the voting ended Tuesday night. This was markedly so as far as the Likud leadership was concerned.

However, the real loser was the computer system, which failed to yield results by midnight, providing them only at 6 a.m. Even then, the results were not final, but based on only 97 percent of the vote. The final tally came only at 8 p.m., when Olmert moved abead of Meridor.

Because of the 14 slots allotted to Tsomet and Gesher, few open safe slots remained for Likud candidates in the ardnous national race. As a result, the only new faces coming from it are Mordeehai and former deputy General Security Service ehief Gideon Ezra, with former MK Reuven Rivlin making a comeback after a four-year absence. The local races, however, did bring new faces to the list.

Chairman Binyamin Netanvahu congratulated party members for "baving chosen a real winning team, a blend of youth and experience, a team which will win these elections and give this nation a new government that will look after the citizens' security and continue the drive for peace, but in a responsible manner ... Those who will negotiate with the Palestinians and the Syrians and look them in the eye will be very different people from the reckless members of the present.

failing government. Begin discounted all talk about deals. "I have always said that precise placement on the list is of no consequence. For me, being 14th or 34th is the same. What we must do now is work hard to win the elections. This government should be replaced.

· Meridor was followed in the national race by Tzahi Hanegbi, one of the MKs elosest to Netanyahn. Hanegbi also campaigned (Continued on Page 3)

Amir sentenced to life for Rabin murder

RAINE MARCUS

AN unrepentant Yigal Amir was convicted of the murder of prime minister Yitzhak Rabin by Tel Aviv District Court yesterday.

Judges Edmond Levy, Oded Mudrich, and Saviona Rotlevy handed down a life sentence for the murder, plus a consecutive six-year sentence for aggravated assault on Rabin's bodyguard Yoram Rubin, who was wounded in the shoulder by a bullet fired by Amir.

Prime Minister Shimon Peres said he boped the punishment would deter other people from "making themselves into a high judge or

"The punishment pales in my eyes compared to the crime, although I have no recommendation oo how to stiffen this punishment. In my eyes, this murder is a violation of all of our people's values from the Ten Commandments to the laws of the people and the state," he told Israel

Contrary to previous hearings, Amir did not smile in court, except for when his family entered and left the conrtroom.

"I was forced to commit this deed," Amir said when Levy gave him a short time to make a statement. "The damage to the nation would have been worse if I hadn't done what I did. The Israeli people would have paid the price. I did what I did for God and the Israeli people. For three years I tried to do something to stop Rabin's path."

Before be was cut off by Levy for delivering a political speech, Amir criticized the court for failing to allow him to express his

"God will help you," a stonyfaced Amir told Levy following the verdict.

In convicting Amir, Levy stressed that the court had done everything possible to conduct a fair trial, especially since the defense had initially been conducted in a haphazard fashioo. He also emphasized that it was the court which suggested thorough psychiatric evaluations, which showed that although there are narcissistic and schizoid elements in Amir's personality and he sees the world in "hlack and white." he not only understands the charges, and is fit to stand trial, but also devised and planned the murder over a long period of

Levy also mentioned the consistent testimony of eyewitnesses. including General Security Service and police officers. Amir. he said, reiterated that, under police interrogation, he had made all his statements of his own free will. He bad freely admitted the murder to several police officers, said Levy, and his intent 'to finish Rahin off."

Amir was calm and composed throughout the reading of the

After a short break, prosecutor Penina Guy and defense lawyer Shmuel Fleisbman presented their arguments on sentencing.

Guy had requested life and a consecutive six-year sentence, emphasizing several times the mental damage caused to Rubin. Fleishman asked for the sentences to be served concurrently, arguing his elient did not mean to wound Rubin.

He also argued that since the president is unlikely to commute his sentence, the sentences should be concurrent.

After a two-hour break, the udges pronounced sentence. Levy quoted poets Haim Nahman Bialik, Lea Goldberg, and Natan Yonatan - as well as the

He opened the sentencing by quoting Bialik: "And very large, and so painful! This man was and look - is no more!

"We have chosen the words of the national poet since they emphasize the main part of the trial the loss of a leader, caused by someone who placed himself as the nation's judge, and with bul-lets he fired at his victim - curtailing the life of the late prime minister."

Describing the crime as the



Yigal Amir awaits his sentencing in Tel Aviv District Court yesterday.

worst in Israeli history, Levy added that "in our innocence, we believed that such assassinations, until now, belonged to other nations, but did not affect us. When we thought of a possible assassination of an Israeli leader ... we

thought we were different." The bullets which hit Rabin, be added, critically wounded an entire nation and millions of others.

"Bullets have no nationality ... the way of the veteran soldier ended with familiar lead, from his own...," said Levy, quoting a Yevgeni wrote for Rabin after his death: "The soldier who didn't know

"Give us the hope of the 21st century ... who are you? Your are the gas chambers of our bope," the poem continued.

Levy was referring to the min-

utes before Rabin's death, when he sang, out of tune, the "Song of Peace" along with Miri Aloni Levy also described the loss of

values in Ismeli society, which has changed the nation's way of Amir's arguments that be only intended to paralyze Rabin and

stop the peace process were ridic-

He told of his disgust when Amir not only failed to express regret for the murder, but also said he was prepared to pay the

'Anyone who commits such a murder, in cold blood and with calm and serenity, without remorse, does not deserve any compassion for losing all sem-hlance of bumanity," Levy said. He also suggested that Israeli

society and its educational system examine themselves for the deeline in values which led to Amir's murderous act, ostensibly for ideological reasons, instead of expressing them verbally as may

Levey said the sentence did not the crimes, and reflected disgust

and loathing at the crimes. Amir intended to kill Rabin and was aware that his shots could accidentally injure others. concluded Levy in explaining the six-year consecutive sentence for wounding Rubin.

Rotlevy's summation was short she chose to quote Albert Camus: "When a man wants to be God, he takes on himself the right to determine life and death."

Following sentencing. Amir cried, "This is a monster state," before being led away. His lawyers said they

peal to the Supreme Court after reflect vengeance, but simply fit they study the verdiet and

Justice has been done – and been seen

AND now, let it be known that one Yigal Amir, with malice aforethought, did kill one Yitzhak Rabin, a well-loved leader of a much bewildered nation.

Now let it be known. Not before. For even if our own eyes saw, we saw nothing until the law saw. It has now seen. Let the name of the law

The trial of Yigal Amir has been a show trial. It has not only done justice, it has shown it. It has shown justice for what it is in a civilized society: cool, detached, professional, and enor-

mously painful. As painful as civilization itself. Throughout the trial, there was only one issue worth raising: Did Amir want to kill Ra-bin when he shot him twice in the back? Amir argued he did not. The court decided he did. This is what criminal justice does in a civilized society. It listens, observes, thinks. It decides.

Are these truths as superfluous, as self-evident as they look and sound? As a lifelong student of criminal law, I have been amazed to learn over the last months that they are not at all evident - not only to Rabin's close family,

COMMENT YORAM SHACHAR

but to the vast majority of Israelis, including some elose colleagues in legal academia, let alone the proverbial taxi driver.

Too many of my friends, neighbors, and relatives wanted to see justice too soon. Too many wanted it without listening. Too many wanted justice to play God. Justice refused. Let

ber name be praised. Let me repeat. Amir had a perfectly good legal defense. The state chose to accuse him of an offense requiring, as a minimum, that he wanted to kill Rabin. Not that he wished him dead. Not that he knew he was going to die as a result of his [Amir's] actions. Not that he did not care whether Rabin died or not. Not even

that he was a contemptible monster. The state chose to argue that Amir wanted to kill Rabin when he shot him twice in the back. No less, no more. And because the state chose

to argue no less, it undertook the very heavy burden of proving no less beyond reasonable

doubt. It succeeded. Don't let this success fnol you. The legal fact, as it now stands, pending probable appeal, is that Amir wanted to kill Rabin. It was never self-evident while the trial lasted. It has never been self-evident to me. It is now legally evident, for legal evidence proved it. But it was not, and never will be, self-evident.

Amir shot Rabin in the back, not in the head, despite a possible opportunity to do otherwise. He argues that be wanted him disabled. He argues that he planned to disable Rabin even if it meant killing him, but that when the opportu-nity presented itself to disable without killing, be seized it, and aimed to disable, not to kill.

It is a complex argument. It is certainly not absurd. Tel Aviv District Court has now decided it was a lie. The Supreme Court may say otherwise. God forbid.

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five attempts to enter Israel with car hombs during 1995. This was disclosed yesterday at the hearing of a petition to the High Court of Justice to han GSS agents from using exeessive force against Hamas member such attacks.

THE GSS prevented seven

attempted suicide attacks and

According to the information. the GSS also prevented seven murders, 10 kidnappings of soldiers and civilians, seven shootings, an attempt to hijack a hus, attempts to lay seven explosive charges, and additional terrorist attacks in

Ziad Gazal.

suicide attacks in '95 said Gazal is an operative for Izzadin Kassam and has information about attacks the organization planned in Israel. For this reason, he said, the GSS was within its legal rights to use moderate physical force on prisoners like him, to prevent

> Gazal's lawyer, Andrei Rosenthal, said the methods being used by the GSS interrogators constitute torture. including sleep deprivation and keeping prisoners shackled in painful positions.

Justices Abaron Barak, Gavriel Bach, and Yitzhak Zamir said they would give their opinion at a later date.

Shamgar Commission to present report today

THE Shamgar Commission will probably recommend disciplinary action be taken against the seven General Security Service and police officers it investigated during its inquiry into the assassination of prime minister Yitzhak Rabin. The commission's final report is to be presented to the government today.

Legal experts also said the report would probably recommend a structural shake-up in the GSS and ways to improve cooperation between police and the GSS

wheo protecting VIPs. However, the implications of

HOUSE Foreign Operations Subcommittee chairman Sonny

Callahan yesterday told Secre-

tary of State Warren Christopher

that the administration must

cease promisiog additional for-

Callahan, a Republican from

Alabama, said he did not support

eign aid to the Middle East.

BILL HUTMAN

such recommendations remain unelear. Karmi Gillon, who beaded the GSS at the time of the assassination, has already resigned, as has the head of the GSS's Protection Department.

The four other GSS officers implicated were suspended from their posts following the internal GSS ioquiry into the assassination. Their futures at the GSS will be determined by the report. Asst.-Cmdr. Ya'acov Shoval,

the Yarkoo District police ehief, was not suspeoded by Insp.-Gen.

Assaf Hefetz, despite the commission's warning letter that held him responsible for not removing unauthorized people from the area where Rahin was shot.

The internal police investigation found no wrongdoing on the part of Shoval or any other police officer, so Hefetz decided to wait for the commission's final report before deciding what action, if any, to take against him.

The expected recommendations on operational and structural changes in the GSS and police will probably have little real impact, as (Continued on Page 9)

Shekel drops 1.29% against dollar, now 3.12

THE shekel depreciated by 1.29 percent toward the US dollar yesterday, settling at a seven-week bigh of 3.128 to the dollar. Combined with its deeline during the previous trading day, the shekel has depreciated by 1.5%. Against the Bank of Israel's

basket of eurrencies, the shekel settled at 3.5305, 1.36% weaker than the previous day. Traders, who reported shekel borrowing and dollar hoarding

by previous borrowers of dollardenominated loans, attributed the plunge to the market's growing expectations for a devaluation following the elections.

Jerusalem Post Staff

Hijackers give up after forcing plane to Libya

CAIRO (AP) - Three Saudi hijackers surrendered yesterday after forcing an Egypt Air jetliner with 152 passengers and crew members to land in Tobruk, Libya. They had demanded a meeting with the leaders of Libya,

Egypt, and the US.

"They said ... they bad a message from God to [Muammar] Gaddafi, [Bill] Clinton and President [Hosni] Muharak and they wanted to lift the closure of the Palestinians," Prime Minister Kamal Ganzoury said.

Egyptian TV said the hijackers also wanted to discuss charges that Sudan was involved in the attempt on Mubarak's life last June.

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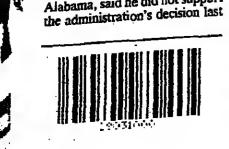
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fall to provide \$52.5 million seed money for a Middle East development bank, and said its request for \$50m. in Defense Departmeot funds for counter-terrorism assistance to Israel is "just not

going to happen." "I want to let you know, in these times of budget realities. that this is not the time to he seriously committing \$50m. for a development project anywhere in the world," Callahan said prior to Christopher's testimooy before

the committee.

Callahao also told Christopher that while he hopes Israeli-Syrian negotiations lead to peace, "once again, I forewarn you that any monetary commitment to Syria is going to be seriously scrutinized by me. as well as some of the other members."

Christopber defended the \$50m. request, which is part of an overall \$100m. commitment announced two weeks ago, as "very well justified" because the US is "dutybound to respond" to Israel's requests for advanced technology after the recent bombings. Anti-terror conference. Page 12

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RAINE MARCUS

GEULA Amir was less composed yesterday than in her few previous court appearances early in the trial. She realized she would probably never see her son outside jail again.

"Now it's the end, Geula," someone said during a two-hour break, in the packed space outside the courtroom, between the ver-

dict and sentencing.

For you, it's the end," said a sobbing Geula. "For us, the nightmare bas just started. I couldn't come to all previous hearings. It was painful and I had to work. Today, someone replaced me. Our plight is terrible and will continue to be so for years."

Trying to contain her tears, her trembling hands lit a cigarette. "What was written on the back of Yigal's sweatshirt?" someone

asked. "I don't know. I didn't see. I don't do his laundry anymore. You know, that's when you know your kids have gone - when you stop doing their laundry," she said, trying to remain composed.

One could even feel sorry for her. You forgot that she is the mother of the assassin of Yitzhak Rabin - she was just a mother with bloodshot eyes bemoaning her son's fate. Immediately after Yigal's arrest last November 4, Geula sobbed in front of the TV cameras. Crocodile tears, someone said. She must have known. How could she not have known about the massive caches of explosives and ammunition hidden in the family's

garden and home? How could she not have known that her son was p'anning to assassinate Rabin? To the press. Geula became tough and uncompromising. Eitan Haber vowed to haunt the family for the rest of their lives. The word "monsters" was scrawled outside their home. Hadas Amir.

Yigal's 15-year-old sister, made matters worse in an interview for BBC-TV when she said that ber brother had been misunderstood.

But while waiting for the judges to pass sentencing, Geula, neatly dressed, and accompanied by several of ber eight children and other family members, slammed the press for "passing a guilty verdict on the family, too."

"We do not approve in any way of his act," she stressed. "Why should we be hlamed? Only the other day, Sbulamit Aloni protested about terrorists' families baving to pay the price for their suicide bomber sons by having their houses blown up. We will pay the price for Yigal's deed for the rest of our lives. We are serving a punishment, too."

During his trial, Amir was moved to Hasharon Prison, where he is segregated from other prisoners. The Amir family visits him once a week, for half an hour -in a cage, with no possibility of physical con-

tact," according to his mother,
Now he will be transferred to a different prison, and still kept isolated. "I don't care where he is, as long as it's not too far away, not Beersheba, where he was beld hefore," said Geula.

"I am not worried about his mental well-being," she said. "He is strong and an individualist – he always read and studied. All my kids read and study. He will continue reading and studying in his prison cell, too. He's told us not to

Shlomo Amir, who throughout the trial read psalms, said his son intends to write a book about his "philosophy of life and his motives for the murder."

"I don't think he will start writing yet." said Geula. "He'll be okay. But we're not."

Leah Rabin: Amir should not have been presumed innocent

BATSHEVA TSUR

LEAH Rabin refused to comment on Yigal Amir's sentence, hut described the legal process as something taken from the theater of the absurd."

"This was no ordinary murder," she said in an interview with Israel Radio. "Why did [Amir] have to be treated as if he were innocent? He committed the murder, confessed, and re-enacted it. -!!! What else had to be proven?-

"I can't understand why this had to drag on for five months," she

added. "I realize that justice must be done, but this seems question-

able to me." Rahin said that she was "cut off from everything to do with the assassin, his background, and the

"I did not follow the trial," she said, "From the moment Yitzhak was assassinated, I have been caught up in the tragedy and the void created by his death. For me, it is as if [Amir] does not exist. He is of no interest to me."

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Dr. AHARON ELLERAN (S.J.)

The funeral will leave today, Thursday, 8 Nissan, 5756, March 28, 1996, at 5:30 p.m., from the deceased's home, Etzion 9, Ra'aana, to the cemetery at Kibbutz Lavi.

Shiva at the deceased's home.

The mourning family.



Yigal Amir stands in court as he listens to his sentence of life imprisonment. Picture is from a tele-

Haber: **Peace** will avenge Rabin's More than 250 journalists crowded the Tel Aviv District in full force. murder

DAVID MAKOVSKY

"PEACE will avenge the blood of Yitzhak Rabin," Eitan Haber, the slain premier's confidante, said after Yigal Amir was convicted

and sentenced. Haber, who sat in the courtroom daily as the trial unfolded and often seemed shaken behind his sunglasses, said, "Amir speaks in the name of God. If this is his God, f am proud that I and many others have a different

"Of all the drawings and graffiti that I saw at Rabin Square, I loved the one that read, 'Peace will avenge his blood, Haber said.

"I very much hope, pray, and believe that before this scum rots in prison and sees his last day, he will see that his hullet attained just the opposite of what be wanted," Haber said.

Haber also said he is convinced Amir will not have his sentence commuted by a single day by any future president of is There will never be such a

president in Israel," he said. He refused to say whether be is upset that Israel has no death penalty, with the exception of Nazi war criminals.

Foreign media out in force

ALLISON KAPLAN SOMMER

ALTHOUGH the outcome of Yigal Amir's trial was predictable, the international media turned out

Court building to watch Amir receive his verdict and sentence. Since there was little room in the courtroom, a special video room was set up in the court's library. where 16 television screens broadcast the proceedings.

Among the crowd of reporters were a handful of disappointed citizens, who for various reasons had wanted to go into the courtroom. "I really wanted to come see the verdict and the sentence. When

the murder happened, it was so shocking and had such a profound effect on me, I felt like I had to be here," said Dov Brisman, 62. Orna Steiner, 37, lives only a few blocks from where Amir grew up in Herzilya. "Rahin's murder hurt me so deeply. I feel like I've been

through the whole experience. After the murder, I went to Rabin Square. I went to Mt. Herzi to see his grave. Somehow, I feel like being here closes the circle for me." Remarkably, Amir also drew his share of admirers. Two teenaged girls stood in the corridor trying tn

gain a glimpse of his family members. They refused to reveal their names, they said, because they didn't want to "get in trouble" for their warm feelings toward Amir. "I came because I wanted to see

him," one of them giggled. "I like him. I think be's very handsome. He has inner and outer beauty." Both said they would be inter-

ested in corresponding and forming a relationship with Amir, despite the likelihood he would spend the rest of his life in prison.

"I don't think it's right to kill," the second girl said. "But I don't think the fact that be did is a reason not to want a connection with him."

In the courtroom and the library, all spectators were carefully studying Amir's expressions as Judge Edmond Levy read the ver-dict and the sentence. Throughout the reading, Amir lacked the wiseguy smile that so angered those who saw him during the course of the trial. The only time he smiled widely was when his family walked into the courtroom, and he seemed far more puffy-eyed, tired, and unshaven than during previous court appearances.

A fair amount of tension prevailed among spectators, although the verdict was already known. The crowd was disappointed with the rather dry and legal tone of the lengthy verdict. However, they craned their necks with interest during Levy's more emotional sentencing, when he dramatically described Rahin's murder, the shock and the pain it caused.

interest reached its height when Amir made his final statement, launched into a political speech, and was repeatedly interrupted by Levy, who told him to move on to his next point.

In lieu of a reaction from Amir himself, the domestic and foreign camera crews chased his family for a reaction, hut Amir's parents and sisters left without making comments.

The court passes judgment

THE current indictment is one of the severest that has [ever] been submitted to an Israeli court, The decision to murder the prime minister, which was made with cold consideration and clear thinking. is not another "ordinary" crime which also must not be dealt with lightly - but was perpetrated, at least according to the accused's version, against a political hackground. Up until now, we innocently believed that this was the inheritance of others, not our

inheritance. We deeply regret that a man was killed, the leader of a nation and a people, who had borne the yoke of public service for many years. first as a soldier, and afterwards as a statesman. Many dangers lay in wait for him along the way, and he had succeeded in evading them all, until at the apex of his career, bullets - fired from an unexpected direction, not by a stranger or an enemy, but by one of our own found him.

The heart grieves and the eye weeps, because we – as a people – also have taken a chilling slap on an exposed cheek, when it became clear that criminal behavior had also reached our political life, as apparently ideological motives cut down the life of a man. And since history teaches that in any ideology which sanctifies murder

Excerpts from the sentencing of Yigal Amir as given by Judge Edmund A. Levy.

as an end, murder [in its own right] becomes the entire ideology. And again we are confronted with proof that the decline in values among us has become a plague, even such that the importance and sanctity of life - which had been a lofty and indisputable value - is again, no longer as it was yesterday or the day before, even in those among us whose bearts have become unfeeling.

When thought was given to the possibility of an attempt being made on the life of an Israeli leader, we dismissed it as unlikely, since we innocently believed that in this area, we were not like other peoples. And suddenly, the illusion came to an end, and the picture of the late prime minister collapsing after the assassin's hullets bad found him, has not disappeared from before our eyes. Those same bullets wounded the bumanity of an entire nation and many millions who - for a long time - sought to believe that this was a nightmare and not reality, but who, every time they opened their eyes, again saw that awful horror. The time which has since passed has not lessened the great

Every murder is an abominable act, but the act before us is sevenfold more abominable, because not only has the accused not expressed regret or sorrow, but he also seeks to show that he is at peace with himself over the act that he perpetrated. He who so calmly cuts short another's life, only proves the depth of wretchedness to which [bis] values have fallen, and thus he does not merit any regard whatsoever, except pity, because he has lost his humanity.

The fact that such a wild growth could sprout from within our midst requires us to examine which parts of Israel's educational system failed in not successfully imparting and establishing the foundations of democracy into elements of the younger generation. The accused's actions are not

only a personal failing, and it is not with him alone with whom we are coming to terms today. It is with everyone who, directly or indirectly, specifically or in general, gave him to understand that it was permissible to cut down a person's life on the basis of any ideology whatsoever. The debate going on among us

is difficult and pointed, because it deals with hasic and existential issues for the State of Israel, not only for our generation, but mainly for future generations. We all agree on a common denominator - a genuine and sincere concern for the peace of the country on the one hand, and peace with our neighbors on the other. As is customary in a democrat-

ic state, this discussion must be conducted firmly, yet with mutual respect and tolerance, with the latter being of particular importance especially when unpopular opinions are voiced by a minority. Furthermore, the split in the nation will neither disappear nor heal by words alone, but rather by deeds, first and foremost, the deeds of the public's leaders from the entire political spectrum - who are commanded to teach themselves - day and night: Wise men, be careful of your words. Revenge is not a factor in rendering the sentence and, heaven forbid, that it should be a consideration in weighing the sentence. Therefore, when a court of law metes out its sentence, it must be calm and rational and remove anger from its beart lest a feeling of revenge cause it to stray from the right and just." (Rahbi Shlomo Ben-Aderet, 1235-1310)

However, when a court comes to render a verdict against a criminal who has committed such an unspeakable offense as is before us, it cannot ignore consideration of the suitability of the punishment to the offense.

This is not an act of revenge, but rather an expression of revulsion and disgust against this crime which, due to its severity, undermines the very existence of civilized society.

(Translation by Government Press Office)

The Jerusalem Post Thursday, March 28, 1996 Was the assassin fairly represented? RAINE MARCUS

WAS Yigal Amir given fair legal representation? Did Judge Edmond Levy – who throughout the trial insisted that Amir be represented after lawyers quit, were fired, or were found incompetent – give the attorneys he appointed time to appear an adequate defence?

he appointed time to prepare an adequate defense?

Undoubtedly, the results would have been the same — it just would have been the same — it just would

A senior defense lawyer last week criticized Levy for rushing the trial. have taken a little longer. Judge Levy, when he witnessed the inability or unwillingness of lawyers to defend Amir should have summoned the Bar Association chairman and ordered him to find two senior lawyers to take on the

The eyes of the world were mercilessly watching us. Our legal system is basically good - most is taken from British law with a few American adaptations. But, from a legal aspect only, without introducing emotions, things should bave been conducted differently.
When the two new defense lawyers [Shmuel Fleishman and Gabi Shahar] were appointed, Levy should have given them ample tune to senting all appointed. scrutinize all prosecution material. He should have allowed them to send

"[But], yes, the verdict and sentencing would have been the same shortly after Amir's arrest, his family hired the unknown and inexpean independent psychiatrist to examine Amir. rienced Mordechai Offri, who insisted he would not conduct a political

Then a Canadian businessman apparently hired the American-trained trial and was later fired. Jonathan Ray Goldberg, who bad extreme right-wing views and no experience in the Israeli legal system. He incurred Levy's wrath several

times because of his incompetence. "We have spent days and nights examining evidence." Levy said to

him. "You should have done the same."

Offir rejoined the defense team, only to quit after a session or two because of differences of opinion with Amir — and Goldberg. And any-

At times, an articulate and knowledgeable Amir, a former law student, way, no one had paid him.

defended himself hetter than any of his lawyers. Levy, stating that be would not neglect Amir's basic rights, searched for another lawyer, eventually finding Avraham Pachter, a former senior attorney in the District Attorney's Office. Pachter changed his mind 24

The court then appointed two not so senior lawyers, Fleishman and bours later. Shahar. They too had differences of opinion on the line of defense. The case cost Fleishman his job with Dr. Haim Misgay, a long-standing

On occasion, Levy lost his temper with them too, but tried to show restraint. He refused to grant a postponement, saying that Goldberg had already studied the evidence. Fleishman and Sbahar did not have enough time to re-examine the evidence and Goldberg kept quiet in court.

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Likud chairman Binyamin Netanyahu (left) congratulates new Knesset candidate Yitzhak Mordechai on winning top spot in the primaries at party beadquarters in Tel Aviv yesterday.

The Likud-Gesher-Tsomet joint ticket

- Binyamin Netanyahu 2. David Levy (Gesher)
- 3. Rafael Eitan (Tsomet)
- 4. Yitzhak Mordechai 5. Ariel Sharon
- 6. Moshe Katsav
- 7. Ze'ev (Benny) Begin
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- 43. Yossi Olmert
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- 46. Assad Assad (minorities)
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Third Way considers fielding a religious Knesset candidate LIAT COLLINS

to create the list he wanted to

Till secretariat of the Third Windstanight considered puting a religious candidate in the No. 4 slot on its Knesset list. The party council is scheduled to discuss the proposition next

The official reasoning behind the move is to attract Meimad members who consider the National Religious Party too right wing, and to boost support among settlers who agree with the Third Way's line against ceding territory.

The suggestion is seen as an attempt to appeare Yehuda Harel, the party's No. 2, wbo has been considering resigning since last week's elections failed

work with. The most likely candidate for the religious spot is Alex Lubotsky, promoted by Harel for the elections but not chosen for a realistic position.

The current No. 4 is party director Uzi Keren. Although be would move down the list, it is possible the extra votes a religious candidate could attract would bring the party an extra Knesset seat.

Surveys have given the party between three and four Knesset seats, but members believe if Harel stays and the party manages to improve its image, the final number could be double

NEWS IN BRIEF

Shas kicks off campaign

Shas opened its election campaign last night with a convention of activists in Jerusalem. Party leader Arych Deri emphasized that the new election system, in which separate votes are cast for the Knesset and prime minister, would mean a significant

"Our aim in these elections is to become the country's third

Tibi's party holds founding convention

The Arab Movement for Equality, the party headed by Palestinian Authority Chairman Yasser Arafat's adviser, Dr. Ahmed Tibi, held its founding convention yesterday in Taibe, with thousands of participants from the Triangle and throughout Israel.

Tibi called on all Arab parties to unify to create a large politial force that would win a large number of Knesset seats. "They are predicting 3-4 seats for us, but we expect to get 6 or

Representatives of the Islamic Movement, who joined Tibi's party, also attended the gathering.

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Hammer to leading rabbis: **Tell observant Jews** to back a religious party

WITH the number of observant MKs from the two major parties declining, National Religious Party leader Zevulun Hammer has written the country's leading rabbinic authorities appealing for a call to the faithful to vote only for a haredi or religious party, or for a united religious front, if one materializes.

In a letter to, among others. Rabbis Eliezer Schach, Ovadia Yosef, Shalom Elyashiv, and the Gerer rebbe, Hammer wrote: We are asking for a call to all members of our camp to vote only for religious or baredi parties. If it works out and we unite, tben this is good; but if not, let us make sure that baredi Jews do not give their voice to anyone but

God-fearing representatives." One NRP official said there are a number of haredim who vote for Likud, and that the appeal is an attempt to ensure they vote for one of the religious parties. There is also concern in the NRP that some people will vote for Binyamin Netanyahu for prime minister, and then feel as if they should vote for the Likud list for

Regarding attempts to form a united religious front, Agudat Yisrael's Council of Sages is sched-

uled to meet today, with the issue expected to figure prominently. David Bruckentbal, spokesman for a group called Supporters of a United Religious Front, said that a survey has shown that, among the religious public, the national religious have expressed the greatest reservations about the idea.

"The NRP voter is much more independent than the haredi vot-Bruckenthal said, "and some are thinking, 'Why do I have to go with haredim who don't even support the state?' " Bruckenthal said that if the rabbinical figures bebind each of

the religious parties support the idea, opposition within the national religious camp will decline. Among those who have pushed hardest for the united front are, ironically. Shas and the Rabbinical Forum in Judea, Samaria, and

Gaza, each for a different reason.

While activists in the group supporting the united movement feel Shas supports it to save its strength in the Knesset, since it would likely join such a coalition with the six Knessel seats it has now, the settlement rabbis are largely supporting the move as a way to handcuff Shas, and keep it from later joining a coalition with Labor.

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Sharon was Likud's big primaries winner

MKS ZE'EV (Benny) Begin and Dan Meridor winning the fourth and sixth places, respectively, in the Likud's national primary appears to give credence to the nimors of a plot to push them down the leadership scale via deals and prepared lists which omitted their

The rationale was that both were harming Binyamin Netanyabu's campaign for the premiership. Meridor was said to be suspected of attempting a coup against Ne-tanyahu, while Begin sought to foil the grand union of the national camp with his carping speech at the Likud central committee

But, according to the rumors, Netanyahu's list also excluded MK Ariel Sharoo. If all this is to believed, then Netanyahu failed miserably in Sharon's case, but did clip a few feathers from Begin's and Meridor's wings. The problem with this theory is that all three were reported absent from the same lists.

If the voters did follow instructions from above, then all three would have been affected. The

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theory's most basic flaw, however, is that the Likud lacks the effective party machine that operates in Labor. There are no organized blocs - such as the unions of Israel Electric Corporation, Egged, Bezek, Tnuva, and Histadrut enterprises to manipulate. In fact, the Likud almost lacks an establishment and it has no disciplined membership

which follows dictates from above.

Instead local cliques and powerbrokers attempt to advance their candidates. It is likely that those ambitious frontrunners who aspired to place themselves at the top made sure their supporters did not vote for other frontrumers. Sharon supporters are likely not to have helped Begin or Meridor, and the same is true of those behind MK Moshe Katsav and other top contenders.

In addition, Begin did not campaign at all, putting himself above the distasteful fray. Meridor also was not an aggressive campaigner.

It is a tribute to their basic popularity that they did not fall further back. Had Netanyahu really embarked on a vendetta against them, far greater damage could have been done.

The one who no doubt received a boost from the competing ambitions of the Likud leadership was Yitzhak Mordechai. Besides enjoying genuine popularity, those who pushed lists omitting their opponents included him. As a newcomer, he has no enemies, and since the polls did not put him in the top 10 many even felt sorry for

But Mordechai was not a player in the party power struggles. Sharon was and that made him the single biggest winner in the contest, undoubtedly a reward for his relentless efforts to unify the national camp.

Despite their palpable flaws, the pacts with Tsomet and Gesher are popular among the Likud rank and file. As the architect of unity, Sharon earned extra support, which Begin and Meridor lost by being out of step with the grass-

Agudat Yisrael bows to Degel Hatorah's unification demands

AGUDAT Yisrael threw the gauntlet at Degel Hatorah's feet yesterday, acceding to its demand for 50-50 parity on the next United Torah Indaism list, but making this conditional on a complete

merger of the two baredi factions. The two factions bave been wrangling for months over representation on the UTJ Knesset slate, with Aguda wanting the first and third positions on the joint list and a mid-term rotation with Degel for the fourth slot, while Degel objects to the rotation, wanting the second and fourth slots for the full Knesset

to become a weekly.

Aguda's Council of Sages met

in Bnei Brak yesterday and said it is willing to split the list with Degel, but that it wants a complete merger, meaning that the name Degel Hatorah will have to disappear and the faction's daily newspaper, Yated Ne'eman, will have

Officials in both parties were skeptical that the gap could be bridged, and there even was talk of the two factions running separate lists. One rumor being circulated is that Degel will place Shas renegade MK Yosef Azran on its

Council of Sages has filled its top two slates with Jerusalem Deputy Mayor Meir Porush and Shmuel Halpert. In light of this threat of a split

list, after MKs Avraham Ravitz

and Mosbe Gafni. Aguda's

in the haredi camp, National Religious Party bead Zevulun Hammer called for a "supreme effort" to form a united front including all of the religious parties. This, be told the Bnei Akiva executive last night, would avoid a "repeat of past mistakes which would seriously barm our joint interest to preserve the Jewish nature of the

(Continued from Page 1) **MORDECHAI** for his mother, Geula Cohen, but she failed to get a realistic spot. Next were Uzi Landau, Limor. Livnat, 'Michael Eitan, Sylvan Shalom, Ezra, Meir Sheetrit, Eliahu Ben-Elissar Dan Tichoo. Naomi Blumeothal, Rivlin, Ova-

Ahimeir. Shilansky's slot is borderune. Ahimeir is onlikely to make it, as are the other casualties from among the present MKs - David Mena, Gideon Patt' Ya'acov Shamai, Assad Assad, Esther Salmovitz, and Michael Ratzon.

dia Eli, Dov Shilansky, and Yossi

There may be attempts to move Assad up from the 46th slot to assure a Druse representative, as well as to move the new immigrant representative up from 45th. However, this would mean pushing the hard-pressed primary survivors even further down, a move which Netanyahu may find difficult to make.

Salmovitz is one of the Yi'ud MKs who left Tsomet. Ratzon had served in the house for only two weeks before the present session recessed. He entered following the death of Ariel Weinstein.

The pollsters, who on Tuesday night gave top hilling to Begin and Meridor, also caused temporary letdowns for Rivlin and Eli,

whom they predicted had fallen

by the wayside. Netanyahu appeared saddened about Eli, for whom he personally lobbied. Tel Aviv Mayor Ronni Milo lamented the fact that "those who betrayed the Likud with David Levy were rewarded, while Rivclose ties to Levy, paid the price." In the end, however, both end-

ed up in very safe slots. The pollsters also badly misread the scene for weeks before the primaries, as Mordechai pointed out. He was oot even included in the top 10 by the polls, "and I told Bibi that just as the polls are wrong about the premiership, so they are wrong about the internal Likud configuration." Of the regional races, the clos-

est was io the Sharon region, where only today there will be an attempt to rule on whether there is a winner. Olmert received 600 more votes than Landau, who is appealing, claiming that some 500 of his town's residents never got to vote because of a computer malfunction. Landau's complaint will be heard by the primaries committee today.

Io Jerusalem, MK Yehoshua

Maiza was returned for another term, as were MK Avraham Herschson in Tel Aviv, MK Ron Nahman in Judea and Samaria. and MK Shaul Amor in the Galilee. New MKs will include Haifa's David Re'em, Ze'ev Boim from the Negev, Yisrael Katz from the moshav sector, Ashdod Mayor Zvi Zilker for the southern coastal region, and Hod Hasharon Mayor Ezra Bioyamini, whn won the Dan region seat.

There will be two women on the Likud list: incumbents Limor Livnat, who came in 9th, and Naomi Blumenthal who finished 16th. They will be joined by Nehama Roneo of Tsomet oo the

Ginsburgh ruling today

The Supreme Court is to rule today oo the appeal of Rabbi Yitzhak Ginsburgh, put into administrative detention by order of OC Ceotral Command Maj.-Geo. Dan Biran.

Ginshurgh, rabhi of the Od Yosef Hai Yeshiva in Nablus. was detained on March 7 for 60 days because of extreme statements he allegedly made against Arabs after the wave of suicide Jerusalem Post Staff

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High Court asks Ethiopian representative to resign from Navon Commission

THE Navon Commission investigating the Ethiopian immigrant blood affair does not have an alternate to replace Adisu Massala, chairman of the Ethiopian Immigrant Association, who was yesterday asked by the High Court of Justice to consider

The commission, headed by former president Yitzhak Navon, bas met six times over the past six weeks, and expects to present its recommendations to Prime Minister Shimon Peres after

Dr. Amnon Ben-David, director of Magen David Adom's blood services, had appealed to the court to force the resignation or dismissal of Massala, who had publicly voiced demands for Ben-David's dismissal because he had approved the decision not to tell Ethiopian blood donors that their blood would be thrown away

"Whether he resigns is not up to

BEN-GURION University scien-

tists were "furious" yesterday

over a decision by the

International Energy Agency

(IEA) to cancel an international

scientific conference that was to

have been held in Sde Boker and

Prof. David Feiman, director of

the National Center for Solar

Energy, said the two-day confer-

ence will open today. "Apparently," Feiman said, "that

location is safer and more secure

The conference had been sched-

uled a year ago. "I used the occa-sion to organize a parallel inter-

move it to Paris.

than Sde Boker."

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the commission," said Nadav Aner, the commission coordinator. Massala, a candidate on the Labor Party Knesset list, could not be reached for comment.

Ben-David's lawyer, Uzi Atzmon, said that Massala was biased and could not be a member of the commission. Massala's lawyer argued that his client was "fair minded" and could form an objective opinion after hearing the Court President Aharon Barak,

and Justices Gavriel Bach and Yitzhak Zamir recommended to Massala that be resign. If not, they will present their decision today. Meanwhile, Prof. Michael Elkan, head of the infectious diseases institute at Soroka Hospital, told the commission during its public session yesterday that the immigrant community "is now ready to accept the fact that there is a problem with blood dona-

national conference focusing on

electricity production from solar

energy. Most participants said they would attend both," he said.

"But a week before the IEA con-

ference was to open, I receive a

phone call from one group leader,

because of the security situation

in Israel and the recent terror

attacks, it would be held in

Feiman said he asked him if he

was aware of the fact that Paris

has recently been the victim of

more terror attacks than Israel.

"He ignored my question and did

-Judy Siegel

Frenchman, who said that

IEA conf. moved to Paris

after a long period of denial." He added that of 115 Ethiopian Jews who had immigrated during Operation Solomon and been found at Soroka Hospital to be free of HIV, 10 were later infected in Israel. Elkan added that there was absolutely no truth to claims that MDA refused their blood because of racism or discrimination, but rather out of an honest intention to supply Israelis with safe blood." Elkan added that he would like to see Ethiopian blood donations used for research,

sion that such use of high-risk donations is barred by international agreements. A number of Ethiopian kessim complained to the committee about their status, adding that "if we had been allowed to teach and educate the community, such things as AIDS would not have

although Health Minister Ephraim

Sneh previously told the commis-

Syria, Egypt discuss possible nuclear waste leak in Israel

Syrian President Hafez Assad and Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak yesterday discussed how to deal with a nuclear emergency. following an ITV report that there is a threat of radioactive leakage from nuclear waste in Israel. They discussed what to do in the event of a "leakage at the Israeli Dimona reactor and us possible consequences," the official Syrian Arab News Agency said. It gave no further details.

'Madcow' panic overdone

JUDY SIEGEL

THE global panic about "mad cow" disease is probably quite exaggerated, as its human equivalent Creutzfeldt-Jakob disease (CJD) has struck fewer than a dozen Britons in two years, says molecular biologist Dr. Albert Taraboulos, who has been studying the cause of the disease for

"However, the real impact of the disease will really be known in four years or so, when we see how many people die from CJD. If the number of cases grows, it may be an indication that the infected cow feed improperly processed from rejected parts of sheep continued to be used illicitly by British farmers," suggests Taraboulos, of Hebrew University-Hadassah Medical School.

Taraboulos, a vegetarian, says if he were a meat eater and visiting England, be would probably avoid eating beef, but that "someone who has had one steak there is at

About seven years ago, the authorities barred the use of the infectious feed and the sale in butcher shops of cow offal (in which prions are most concentraled). But, says Taraboulos, a monitoring body in Scotland recently reached the conclusion that the latest deaths from CJD involved young people who had eaten infected beef. Until then, most CJD patients were elderly.

The symptoms are similar to those of Alzheimer's, with dementia, muscle wasting, and uncontrolled movements. There is no treatment or cure, not even a simple diagnostic test," he notes.

According to the Health Ministry, English beef has not been imported since 1988, thus there is no danger to Israelis from CJD. On average, 10 Israelis develop CJD each year, most of them of Libyan or Timisian origin who have a genetic mutation (with no connection to beef con-

The Jerusalem Post Thursday, March 28, 1996 EU bans British beef

NEWS AGENCIES BRUSSELS THE European Union banned British beef exports to the world should be the paramount considyesterday, hoping to contain mad cow disease while Britain considerations," EU Agriculture
Commissioner Franz Fischler

ers safeguards and tries to salvage its beef market. The British gov-He said Europeans were justifiernment said it regretted the ably concerned and that the ban European Commission's decision would be lifted once Britain had to confirm the worldwide ban on enforced adequate new safeits beef exports and said it would do everything possible to get it

The ban would have little impact since all 14 of Britain's EI partners have boycotted British

beef since last week. Elsewhere, too, the impact could be slight. The United States, Australia, Japan and Canada have barred British beef for years, and numerous other nations have joined the ban since the scare

Britain also has failed to reassure consumers at home and across Europe that its beef is safe. Scientists have debated inconclusively whether the cow ailment, bovine spongiform encephalopathy, is believed to be linked to a disease, human Creutzfeldt-Jakob disease.

tims' brains until they die. EU officials insist the Commission has the power to order a worldwide ban, although

the British government contends its authority is limited to the trade

A commission statement said the EU was ready to help the United Kingdom deal with the carsis financially or with technical

The commission was to consider whether to compensate farmers in Britain's \$6-billion-a-year beef industry for losses as consumer

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In Britain, pressure mounted on shunned beef. the government to order slaughter of cattle most likely to carry the illness. That could lead to the destruction of between 800,000

and 4.5 million animals. The ban would cover export of live cattle and beef as well as products ranging from cosmetics and medicines to ice cream.

Britain has struggled unsuccessfully to eradicate the illness since the disease broke out in British herds a decade ago.

"We have to restore confidence. concedes We have to restore markets. Those Buchanan ole sweeps, quit the Republican and run as an

WASHINGTON (AP) - Sen. Bob Dole easily won the California, Washington and Nevada primaries to complete a 25-state March sweep that transformed him from teetering to triumphant in the Republican presidential race. "A new America is within our reach." Dole said in celebra-

This is contrary to the clear sci-

entific advice that there is no need

for any such measure and we shall

be taking every possible step to get this ban lifted urgently and to

get our trade moving again," a spokesman for Britain's agricul-

The European unanimous deci-

sion came a day after veterinary officials of the 15 EU nations

overwhelmingly recommended banning export of British carrie,

The ban was imposed to prevent

beef from Britain making its way back to Europe via non-EU coun-

ture ministry said.

beef and beef products.

Early returns in all three states showed Dole defeating Pat Buchanan by lopsided margins.

Even before the polls closed, Dole dropped his calculated caution and claimed victory - one week after securing a majority of delegates. "The battle for the Republican nomination is over," Dole told cheering supporters. Setting his sights on President

Clinton, Dole cast the Democratic incumbent as the obstacle to welfare reform, tax reform, a balanced budget and tougher judges. The battle for America's future is beginning tonight," he declared. Buchanan won the first primary five weeks ago in New Hampshire but has had little to celebrate

since. In California, he conceded Dole "will be the Republican nominee and we have to congratulate him on his victory." But he defiantly said he would "go to San

Both Dole and Buchanan were eager fo by a campaign calendar that puts Pennsylvania next on Buchanan was heading home to



GOP presidential candidate Bob Dole celebrates his california primary victor at a rally in Washington. (Reuter)

independent. Dole claimed the 165 delegates

in winner-take-all California - by far the biggest single-state prize in the nomination chase — and won all 14 in Nevada as well. He was on pace to pick up 14 of the 18 delegates at stake in Washington. That would give him 1,198 delegates - with 996 needed for nomination. Bnchanan was on tra 113 by comparison.

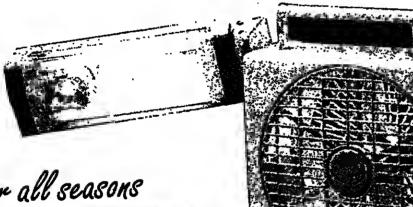
With 24 percent of the vote counted, Dole was getting 67 percent in California, to 17 percent for Buchanan. In Washington, with 59 percent of the vote counted, it was 64 percent for Dole, 20 percent for Buchanan.

In Nevada with 100 percent of the vote counted, Dole had 52 percent to 19 percent for Steve Forbes, who quit two weeks ago after the mail-in balloting was under way. Buchanan had 15 per-

Dole said his top concern was getting back to his duties as majority leader and pushing a crowded Senate agenda. He said he had given no serious thought to picking a running mate, and that while he considered it unlikely, had not ruled out making his choice well before the August Republican convention.

THE JERUSALEM Washington to meet today with top advisers to decide his next. A Special Offer for readers of Diego," site of the August step. Some supporters want him to Republican convention. Algeria terrorists kidnap 7 French monks the region of Medea, about 70 km MULTISEASON south of Algiers in the early hours PARIS (Reuter) - Suspected the Trappist monks. Moslem extremists abducted seven French Trappist monks yesterday. It blamed the kidnapping on a and left around 10. We don't yet from their Algerian monastery "criminal group" - Algerian offi-

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there. A locally-produced wine, Trappe de Medea, is named after

during the night, bringing a renewed call by France for its ve the North nationals to le African country.

Security forces immediately launched a manhunt for the kidnappers and for the French "religious workers", according to a statement carried by the official news agency APS.

A spokesman for the Catholic diocese in Algiers said by telephone the kidnappers had made no demands so far. They came during the night and took them,"

The security force statement on APS said the monks were snatched from their monastery in

cial shorthand for armed Moslem fundamentalists. Medea is known to be a s

hold of the Armed Islamic Group (GIA), which was responsible for the kidnapping of three French embassy employees in . 1993. The GIA later released the French nationals unharmed with a statement ordering all foreigners to leave Algeria or face

A source close to the Algerian security forces said by telephone the gunmen gained entry into the monastery by asking to see an 80year-old doctor, who was among the more than 15 monks residing "They took seven of the monks

know if the doctor is among the abducted monks," he said. The Algerian newspaper el Watan reported yesterday that 17

Moslem guerrillas were killed by security forces in the Medea region as part of operations over the weekend in which more than 130 armed Islamists were killed. The source said the guerrillas

were believed to have visited the monastery in the past to ask for medicines and appeared to know it had a doctor. France yesterday condemned

the abduction and reiterated calls for French citizens to leave the North African country.

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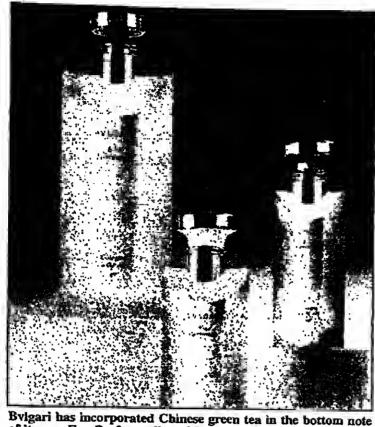
The two main incentives are discounts and bonus gifts for expenditures in excess of NIS 100, NIS 300, etc. While it's great to get discounts of up to 50 percent, the pшpose of the exercise is to make you spend more. When a luxury item which was just a little out of your price range becomes tem-porarily affordable, the temptation to buy two or three or more becomes almost irresistible.

It's worth doing with products which are long-lasting - but only if you've tested them first. Don't take it for granted that an internanonally celebrated brand name guarantees that you will fall in love with the product.

A case in point is Giorgio of Beverly Hills. Previous offerings hy Giorgio have been exquisitely sensuous and a little on the wild side. But he doesn't make it with Wings, his newest fragrance, which the PR hype describes as "exhilarating," but which to my nostrils smells more like stale flowers in stagnant water. On someone else, it may be great, but it just doesn't go with my body chemistry. It's so disappointingly

unGiorgio. Another homh is Yardley of London's Mystique, which really doesn't live up to its name and is far too alcoholic. It just lacks the genteel refinement which usually characterizes Yardley products.

IF YOU thought that tea was only for drinking (or for hathing fatigued eyes), think again. Bylgari has incorporated Chinese green tea in the bottom note of its new Eau Parfumee range of fragrances and toiletries. And believe it or not, a very delicate aroma of Chinese tea does indeed penetrate



of its new Eau Parfumee line of fragrances.

through the Egyptian jasmin, Bulgarian roses, Russian coriander, Spanish orange blossom, Italian bergamot and other essences which synthesize to convey a hauntingly oriental scent. It's available in 75-ml. (NIS 229) and 150-ml. (NIS 398) bottles.

An extremely popular product abroad, Rochas's Byzantine Eau de Toilette is now on the Israeli market. A light, flirtatious fragrance, it is sweet without being cloying, with citrus blossoms among the dominants in its formula. A 50-ml. bottle sells for NIS 186, and a 25-ml. bottle for NIS

Nina Ricci Deci-Dela scents have been selling here for quite some time; for those who can't afford them, Deci-Dela perfumed body lotion - retailing at NIS 159 for 150ml. - is a wonderful way to capture the same light, floral bouquet at a much lower cost.

Although most of the splash about unisex perfumes has been made hy Calvin Klein, he is not the only fashion designer with a fragrance range that harmoniously caters for him and her in the same bottle. Paco, the new fragrance by Paco Rahane is a pleasant wood and spice blend, which makes its presence felt without being over-

Though advertised as a man's fragrance, Spazio Krizia is much too subtle to be limited to the male of the species. Its formula is made up of juniper berries, thyme, vetiver, lahdanum, amber, vanilla, musk, bergamot and cedar, and it is not nearly as tangy as most other products that come under the category of men's toiletries. It is precisely for this reason that it is also suitable for women. Try the spray deodorant for starters. It's only NIS 79

Direct Insurance has its drawbacks

HILE cutting costs for the consumer by cutting out the middleman, Direct Insurance has cut corners on customer service.

Those of us quick to criticize insurance agents may not have examined their alternative with as critical an eye. Justifiably enticed by low premiums on home and auto insurance, a growing number of Israeli consumers have been switching to Direct Insurance

While I personally know two such consumers who regret this particular frugality, the following is a general warning to unwitting victims of DI - those forced into dealing with this up-and-coming company through no fault of their

While she was visiting a friend, A.B.'s parked car was backed into hy a neighbor. The apologetic "culprit" immediately fessed up, and the usual exchange of relevant data was transacted between smasher and smashee.

The incident couldn't have been more straightforward: the former would inform his insurance company, Direct Insurance Ltd. in Tel Aviv, and the latter would inform her insurance agent in Jerusalem. The vehicle would be put in the garage for repairs.

And so it was. A.B.'s agent prepared the usual documents required in such cases (i.e. appraiser's report, photos of the

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damage, etc.), and sent the file to Direct Insurance in Tel Aviv. No acknowledgment from Direct Insurance was received either by A.B. or by her agent.
What A.B. did receive was a set

of blank forms from DI. Aware that her agent had taken care of the file, A.B. ignored the forms. Two months later, A.B. phoned DI to ask about her money. (The phone call itself cost a pretty bundle, as the DI switchboard consists of recorded messages, extended waiting, and pressing of various digits, just to locate a

human voice.) When she finally reached an actual employee, she was told: "We do not deal with insurance agencies. Your file will not even begin to be examined until you personally fill out our forms."

A.B. was outraged. It is bad enough having your car smashed and being without wheels while it undergoes repair.

But to have to chase around an unpleasant bureaucratic maze to retrieve what is rightfully yours. all because another driver happens to be insured by a company who refuses to deal with your agent, is adding insult to injury. So A.B. did what perhaps she

should have done in the first place: She phoned the owner of

the guilty vehicle, and demanded to be sent her money. The owner promptly sent a check to DL to be passed on to the claimant. Again, neither word nor cash was forth-

coming. Again A.B. was forced to resume her pursuit via several additional intercity phone calls (at peak rates), each met with the same annoying electronic voice messages, extended waiting, and difficulty locating the "right" per-

son at DI. Finally, A.B. threatened to take DI to the Small Claims Court if her money - plus interest and linkage - wasn't immediately delivered.

Fortunately, the threat induced DI to send A.B. a check. Unfortunately, it did not suffice where the interest and linkage was concerned. DI ombudswoman Tami

Shosbant blames A.B. for the delay: "If she had just filled out our forms, she would have gotten her money a lot sooner. Furthermore, it is against the law for an agent to represent a client in a claim."

Finance Ministry PR officer Arveh Greenhlatt, concurred that an insurance agent cannot legally represent a client. Whether helping a client fill out forms and send

them to a company constitutes "representation" is a question still under his investigation.

According to Greenblatt, the Supervisor of Insurance has received complaints against DI, but they are "no different in content or greater in number than those received against other insurance companies and agen-

Perhaps. Yet, it is no "accident" that Direct Insurance is 20 percent cheaper than most other companies. The absence of agents is only part of the reason.

Unconventionally night-fisted reimbursement is another factor. Though carefully worded, insurance policies include vast gray areas, which leave room for interpretation and negonation. Expenses directly or indirectly related to damage or theft, for example, are legitimate "extras"; the extent to which they will be paid to be "hashed out" between a claimant and his insurance company. It is the agents who conduct these negotiations. With Direct Insurance, the client is on his

Why a patron of another company abould be subjected to similar inconvenience is beyond this consumer's comprehension.

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America's latest phobia –

ORGET about fear of dying or fear of making a commitment. What Americans really fear is having bad breath.

That's why Carol Meyer is making a living as a personal hreath consultant in New York. For \$125, she offers what she calls a breath makeover, "just like a facial makeover," for people who otherwise could be missing out on good jobs, promotions or relationships.

One patient was a top telecommunications executive who had grown so terrified of having had breath that he stopped delivering the speeches that were integral to his job.

"He insisted the room smelled like his breath and that he saw people sniffing," Meyer said. "People start to develop a phobia."

Some of Meyer's patients are so mortified they refuse to give their names when they make an appointment. Others telephone her, puzzled, because her phone number was left anonymously on their desks.

"You'll hear people say 'I used to be a drug addict' before they'll say 'I used to have bad hreath," " said Meyer, who practices as much psychology as dental hygiene in her work.

The vast majority of her patients are finan-

cial traders and brokers who work on Wall Street, which she calls a bastion of bad breath.

They're stockbrokers on the floor, yelling and screaming all day long. They don't have time to eat. They don't have time to brush," she said. "At the end of the day, they have a problem with their breath."

The cause can be bacteria, faulty dental work, a head cold, diabetes, coffee, heart disease, antihiorics, hormonal changes, gum disease, stress or even tonsils. The treatment is usually simple - regular use of a tongue scraper or a hacteria-killing toothpaste and

Meyer tries to tailor her treatments to her patients' harried lifestyles, advising them to "at least take some toothpaste and stick it under your tongue and squish it around." "Everybody's looking for a quick, efficient fix." she said.

A dental hygienist for 22 years, Meyer. launched her personal breath consultancy last year. She does not advertise but relies on, yes, word of mouth.

When she tells people what she does, they laugh. "Then they say, 'I know somebody who needs you," "she says.

She uses two instruments to make her diagnoses - a gas sensor and a computerized gum thermometer. The sensor detects sulphur compounds, a hy-product of bacteria in the mouth.

She cannot do everything, she said, recalling a request, which she declined, to visit a Wall Street office and tell an employee about his breath problem. But gift certificates are available. (Reuter)

Refrigerators these days: They can do everything but make coffee

F the refrigerator wheezing away in the corner of your kitchen is on the Liverge of a meltdown and you're planning to replace it, huying a new one might not be the same experience as you remember.

According to appliance-industry figh have always the hardest-working appliances in the home - are replaced, on average, every 10 to 15 years. Now technological advances are enabling fridges to do more and more.

If you think the automatic ice-cube maker in your current fridge ranks right up there with the wheel, then what about an ice maker that lets you choose the consistency of that ice - from crushed to cube - with the turn of a knoh? Through-the-door water dispensers are not new. What is new, though, are dispensers with integral filters designed to skim lead, chlorine and other impurines out of the water that goes into a glass or an ice tray to make it clearer and bettertasting.

Then there are electronic controls that monitor cold-air supplies to different areas of the fridge to maintain optimum temperatures for the contents; and shelves that can be raised to provide "headroom" for tall hottles and can slide out for easy access to items stored in the back.

All the enhancements, industry sources say, are in response to the renewed popularity of the kitchen as a center of contemporary family life. "Because families



are spending more time in the kitchen. appliances have become the design focal point, and consumers want their appliances to look good and expect them to perform even better," says Fred Turner, vice president of sales for the Frigidaire Co. in Dublin, Ohio. Many new models are shallower than

the capacity to fit flush with adjoining cabinets, it gives them a built-in look.

older fridges. While this might sacrifice for 75 percent of fridge sales in the US. according to industry estimates, Amana Refrigeration Inc. of Amana, Iowa, has While the top-mount freezer accounts reintroduced the hottom-mount freezer.

YOU WANT chilled wine or champagne at your fingertips as you soak in a soothing bath? Or a beverage and a snack in the living room so you don't have to leave during a crucial moment in a TV movie? Or, for that matter, why not have a fridge anywhere you feel like having

Sub-Zero Freezer Co. Inc. of Madison, Wisconsin, last year introduced a line of compact units that can stand alone or be combined to provide discreet and stylish refrigeration in any room of the house.

The line consists of a tall cahinet unit and a two-drawer hase unit. Each comes either as a freezer or a fridge, allowing mixing and matching to create all-fridge, all-freezer or combination units.

The bases fit under kitchen counters and center islands, and the fridge version has two separate temperature zones. The tall fridge combination has three individual temperature zones that are controlled electronically.

Marvel Industries of Richmond. Virginia, is another manufacturer of compact fridges that can be dispersed around the house. One of the more interesting features in its product line is the "wine grotto," a compact, underthe-counter wine cellar. The slide-out racks hold up to 50 hottles which are kept at the proper temperature and humidity. The wine grotto can be mixed with the company's other modular units to create a variety of cool combina-

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the hard way, it is virtually impossible to Combat organized terror groups while safeguarding the civil rights of their members. Constitutional provisions against incarceration without trial, prolonged interrogation without . the presence of counsel, or the use of "moderate physical pressure" during interrogations are incompatible with an effective battle against dedicated fanatics fighting for a cause.

Since the first duty of a government is to ensure the safety of its citizens, it must sooner or later conclude that fighting terrorism is no different from waging any other kind of war. As in war, it must suspend civil liberties whenever they impede the war effort.

This is essentially the argument the General Security Service has presented to the High Court against the appeal of Hamas operative Ziad Gazal, who is demanding that no physical pressure be applied against him during his inter-

rogation. In an effort to convince the judges of the oeed for such pressure (strictly limited to measures approved by the Landau Commission), the GSS has told the courts that as a result of similar interrogations it has, this year alone, managed

S democratic societies have discovered to foil: seven suicide bombings, five attempts to enter Israel with explosives-laden cars, 10 kidnappings of soldiers and civilians, seven murders, several assaults with firearms, an attempt to hijack a bus, various attempts to lay explosive charges, and other terrorist attacks.

Perhaps even more than the tragic consequences of the bus bombings three and four weeks ago, these statistics must give Israelis pause. They mean that there is a relentless terrorist war being waged against Israel, and that only the courage, vigilance and proficiency of the security services have prevented enormous casualties.

In assessing the Oslo process, the fact of this war must be taken into account, regardless of how many casualties the terrorists manage to inflict. The country cannot forever depend on the security services to prevent disaster, if for no other reason than that no such service can have a flawless record.

To "declare war" on Hamas only when tragedy strikes and bodies are strewn on the street, instead of drawing appropriate conclusions from the Palestinian Authority's inability or unwillingness to effectively combat the terrorists is to gamble with innocent lives.

The people know best

HE first thing which comes to mind oo reading the results of the primary elections in the major political parties is a witticism by one of Israel's leading journalists, Nahum Barnea. Israelis are a strange people, he said. They tell the truth to polisters, but when they get into that voting booth, they lie.

The first political lesson to be learned from the primaries is that opinion polls in Israel are unreliable and misleading. Not one of the polling organizations came close to predicting the winners of the respective top spots in the primary sweepstakes. Neither Labor's old hand, Flourism Minister Uzi Baram, nor Likud newcomer Maj.-Gen. (res.) Yitzhak Mordechai was expected to he among the leading candidates in their parties, let alone on top of the heap. Nor did they do any better in forecasting the stand-

lo fact, the pollsters - not unlike canny astrologers - did little more than affirm the conventional wisdom. That such wisdom can be defied and turned on its head by the voters is one of democracy's great attractions. One should like to bope that politicians will now realize not only that it is unwise to rely on projections and forecasts, but that it is foolhardy to assume that polls reflect the will of the people. To adjust policies to accord with responses to the pollsters' cleverly formulated questions is plainly irresponsible.

It is both tempting and easy to deride the primary system, and the litany of its alleged faults is long. It is costly and wasteful; it favors the rich or those who have access to the rich; it encourages attention-getting gimmicks rather than serious discussion of the issues; it gives the media untoward, disproportional power; it is an open invitation to special-interest lobbies; and it turns political contests into beauty pageants, in which looks and telegenics count more than talent and experience.

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All this may be true, but such charges can easily be made against democratic elections in general. Primaries simply extend the democratic system to cover all stages of the election. process by letting the rank-and-file rather than committees in "smoke-filled rooms" determine who the party candidates will be. And if the results are any indication, lowly party members are at least as astute and savvy as a committee.

No ideological conclusions can be drawn from the party choices. The membership obviously wanted, above all else, to field a winning team. This is probably why Labor voters seem partial to retired generals, who are expected to balance the super-dovish image of the party leader, Prime Minister Shimoo Peres. And while the Likud is now trying to project a eral concern with security - have placed Mordechai and Ariel Sharon oo top of the list.

There are, to be sure, inevitable disappointments. The primary system has its own built-in injustices and inequalities, and some deserving men and women have been left out in favor of less impressive candidates. Disappointing, too, is the small number of women on both lists and the complete absence of Druse and Arabs in 'realistic'' slots on the Likud list.

To solve this kind of problem by "affirmative action," as Labor has done, is to introduce a noxious quota system. The only salutary solution is to encourage the participation of women and minorities in all levels of political life.

Finally, the electorate must be congratulated for its independence and rationality. Voters mostly paid no heed to "deals" and suggested lists, they were not swayed by expensive gimmicks, nor did they blindly follow suggestions of local leaders. What they did do is prove yet again that, for all their glaring shortcomings, the people know best.

Nightmare in Sharm

VEN the most dedicated Foreign Ministry supporters
of Shimon Peres's New Middle East, that place where Hamas chiefs walk hand in hand with Jewish settlers, were out-

raged.
What had provoked their anger? A suggestion by Egyptian Foreign Minister Amr Mousa in February that some junior diplomats pay a courtesy call in Jerusalem.

At first, what joy in Foreign Ministry hearts! The hostile Mousa unthaws

Amid immense enthusiasm, details of a suggested itinerary were dispatched to Cairo. Back came the acceptance, with one omission. A tour of Yad Vashem was crossed out.

This wasn't the first such soub from Mousa. On a visit of his own some time before, he had declined to set foot in Yad Vashem. Only after pressure from Peres did be grudgingly agree to spend a minute or two at the Children's Memorial. .It wasn't that Mousa cared more

about Jewish children than he did about adults; but an Egyptian official had told him that he could "walk fast through the children's section and be out in a minute or two." It was also very dark there, and "difficult to see anybody inside" the building."

On that occasion, the Foreign Ministry chiefs swallowed their promise. But this time, they declined to be humiliated. The bottom line: no Yad Vashem, no visit.

Mousa didn't want to disappoint his young diplomats. Okay, he said, "I'll permit my boys to visit the children's place on condition that they be allowed to pay an offi-cial call to Faisal Husseini at Orient House."

At this, the Foreign Ministry balked. The memory of a million murdered Jewish children being trivialized by such an equation was too much even for the ministry's mandarins (who also feared that publication of the demeaning incident would deal a further blow to Egypt's image as peace-lover so tuously promoted by our prime minister).

Egyptians and Israelis alike are aware of the mutual benefits of peace. But there can be no illusions about the Mubarak administration's real feelings toward its Jewish neighbors.

Accordingly, our Foreign Ministry rejected the Egyptian 'package," and the visit never took

Earlier this month, as world leaders flew off home after the Sharm e-Sheikh anti-terror meet (Peres in style aboard President Clinton's jet), the 250 or so Israeli and for-

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eign journalists at Sharm hurried to the airport, anticipating their return to Ben-Gurion within a couple of hours. They had struggled valiantly all day, trying to describe a non-event as though it were a historic moment.

However, the Arkia Boeing 737 didn't arrive to pick up the journalists at 9 p.m. as expected. The tar-mac stayed empty, and the Egyptian officials were cool and indifferent. No one was offered any food or water.

"You must wait until all the VIP planes are gone," said the Egyptians. "But they have flown off by now," journalists responded. No other suggestions were forthcoming except that the Israelis should "call and ask where your plane is?

When protests were raised about the lack of any kind of facilities there was just one telephone opera-

It was a relatively small act of malice. No one suffered permanent injury. But it underlined a mucn geeper malaise

tor - the Egyptians eventually opened a small kiosk selling bottled water, coffee, biscuits and chocolate. They also sold "telephone time" to the journalists at \$4

a minute, cash only.

At midnight, with the journalists' nerves on edge, there was a sudden announcement: "No flights allowed after 12 p.m. from Sharm

BY NOW even the most optimistic left-wingers present - including Abie Nathan, daddy of them all were irritable and tired. Egyptian suggestions that Arkia was "to hlame" became more pronounced as the night wore on.

The whole affair turned out to be a charade. The Israeli plane had been grounded all this time at Eilat Airport, because the Egyptians had forbidden Arkia to land. The reason for this bostile obduracy? None was given.

Finally, at 1:30 a.m., a call was put through to David Sultan, Israel's ambassador in Cairo. "You had better get us out quick," the drowsy ambassador was told. "There are journalists already asleep on the floor. We've been trapped here by Egyptian malice. Since we cannot escape, we're about to start drilling for water and intend to set up a West-Bank-style settlement here at the airport. By the way, do you know what this will do to your prime minister's peace process?"

What followed was prompt intervention by the ambassador, and a slow and surly Egyptian reaction. Dawn was breaking by the time the Arkia plane finally got permission to load up some very weary journalists and return to Israel.

A few days later Ma'ariv reported that Mousa had personally ordered the "isolation" of newspapermen at the deserted airport in revenge for the time he crossed the Sinai and was prevented from meeting Yasser Arafat to coordinate policies.

In tandem with Osama el-Baz, Mubarak's front man who verbally humiliates Israel in occasionally purring diplomatic language, Mousa works ceaselessly to demean the Jewish state.

The kind of insult meted out to those Israeli journalists is reoroduced at Cairo Airport. It isn't any coincidence that El Al planes sneak in and out of Cairo in darkness, like thieves in the night. Nobody must see them. El Al has even been discouraged from carrying the Star of David emblem on its aircraft.

away this abhorrence of all things Jewish. He told newspapermen smoothly: "To have the Israeli flag [flying] over a building in Damascus for any other Arab capitall is a problem. It causes the man in the street to suffer a shock, a culture shock."

With reactions like these 18 years after the declaration of peace with Israel, one wonders how anyone can still harbor any illusions about Egyptian sincerity. One need hardly detail the way Egyptian forces, armed to the teeth, carry out periodic complex military exercises in crossing the Suez Canal via the vast tunnels that have been built

Hamas, Istamie Jihad and Hizbullah are waging all-out ter-rorist war against Israel, and Arafat's control of areas of the

country is growing.

And Amr Mousa and Osama el-Baz? Their aim is to weaken Israel politically.

It must be clear that the country is facing a dangerous Egyptian-orchestrated attack aimed at its eventual extinction.

The writers are authors of The Mossad: Secrets of the Israeli Secret Service and other books on the Middle East.

A FAMOUS Moscow psychie and hypnotist who lost his seat in parliament is threatening to use his psychic powers to render impotent anyone who tries to evict him from his government apartment

Anatoly Kashpirovsky is determined to bold onto the apartment, one of the most desirable perks of office, at all costs. "Ginseng will be of no help,"

he said, backing up his threat. ELLEN AND Julian Zelenko of Rehovot wrote us about a phenomenon many of us have experienced: mail destined for Israel heing directed to an American locale with the same zip code. The following are excerpts from a letter to the Zelenkos from the US Postal Service about the annovance:

"We are aware of the problem, but we have not been able to resolve the processing problem. Our equipment is designed to search for the five-digit United States Postal Service ZIP code and convert it to a barcode. Othcountries are not usually affected because only two other major countries use a five-digit postal code.

"My recommendation is to place the Israeli postal code higher in the address and not on the last or next to last line. A second recommendation would be to omit the code."

A FRENCH judge ruled on Monday that workers may go to the lavatory without needing their employer's permission.

"The right to go to the lavatory cannot he subject to authorization by someone else," the head of the industrial tribunal in Quimperle in northwestern France said in a landmark ruling to end the months-long "peebreak" dispute.

The Lucien Bigard slaughterhouse last year decreed five-minute breaks three times a day for 250 meat packers. Outraged, the workers went on strike for three days in August.

The factory owner partly hacked down but insisted that workers, cutting up heef and pork for packaging, had to get a replacement before going to the

toilet. The workers took the mat-

The judge ruled workers could be asked to tell their supervisors when they needed to relieve themselves but their "freedom to go to the toilet" could not be restricted by obliging them to get a replacement.

In a nod to the management, the court ruled that "pee break" abuses could be punished.

A MALAYSIAN municipality governed by an Islamic party has ordered all supermarkets to set up separate payment counters for men and women.

Kota Bahru Municipal Council explained that separate queues will prevent excessive mingling of men and women during peak honrs. All supermarkets bave agreed to comply.

IT HAPPENS once in a blue moon, and it's going to happen on June 30: a blue moon.

The unusual phenomenon will be the second full moon in one month, and the first blue moon since September 30, 1993. Something to look forward to.

Working it out

ESTHER HERTZOG

HE government, seemingly against, its. will, gave women - and their families the gift of the decade recently when the law mandating equal pay in the workplace passed its second and third readings.

The new law corrects the most glaring discrimination in remuneration, addressing not only the imbalance in salaries, but the many benefits unevenly granted to men and women at work.

It lays down that a man and women employed by the same employer at the same place of work are entitled to equal salaries for essentially similar or equivalent work. The ruling will also apply to "any other payment made by an employer to or ou behalf of an employee related to

his employment." For the purposes of this law, the term "other payment" will include any supplement, benefit, allowance, grant, ancillary con-

ditions, or payment of expenses. It includes car allowance, telephone use, overtime, purchase of professional literature, clothing allowance, car use, "and any other payment, either monetary, or of monetary value, directly or indirectly, even if not part of the employee's salary."

BACK IN the early 1980s, economist and employment expert Dri Linda Efroni found that the imbalance in earnings between men and women employed in the public sector could - differences in position, scale, experience and scope apart - be accounted for by an unequal affocation of benefit Women are particularly discriminated against as regards car allowance and overtime.

Efroni persisted stubbornly researching the subject, publish ing her findings and struggling for a change in the law in the face of severe criticism - even from activists in women's organiza tions and in university circles where her findings met with sim-

ple disbelief. Despite proven mequalities in salaries and benefits between men' and women some women activists couldn't bring themselves to recognize the glaring miustice that existed.

Efroni pointed to the fact that inequality in pay was growing rather than diminishing. At the beginning of the 1980s the difference between men and women employed in the public sector was 22 percent; by the end of the decade it had reached 28 percen By the beginning of the 1990s it had risen to 32 percent.

Today there are many employers in the public and private sectors who pay their male employees 50 percent or more above what their female employees earn for comparable work. Throughout the decade-long

Women have been reluctant to believe the extent of wage discrimination against them

struggle to change the law, Finance Minister Shohat maintained uncompromising opposition to the vital amendment listing the salary elements to which the principle of equality should

A few days before the second and third readings of the hill, Sbohat tabled a "small" amendment to the law calling for the omission of all categories of benefits to which it would apply. This would have emptied the law of all content. Shohat's actions have always

confirmed that the interests he represents are far removed from those of working people, especially working women. As part of his consistent yielding to pressure from employers, he recently prevented the second and third readings of the amendment to the minimum salary law.

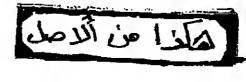
Shohat and the prime minister represent the interests of the economic right better than the Likud does. This being the runup to elections, voters, especially women voters, onght to know who is working for them and who against them.

There is no party in Israel today working for social equality, let alone women's equality.

If women fought for equal rights - equal employment rights being the most important - the way social movements here did at the beginning of the century, such a party might now exist.

Perhaps then we would have a women finance minister representing the interests of a large population now deprived of proper pay and working conditions, instead of one who cares about the interests of wealthy employ-

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innocent people. We do not consider suco acts in any way justifiable. We regard the peace process as heing too serious to be handled solely by the military. We caution against resorting to the same old policies and repulsive methods which have resulted in the preva-

lence of batted and animosity. We caution against measures of collective punishment taken out of

Sir. - We, a group of Palestinian

intellectuals, have witnessed the

events of violence and killings of the

last few days with feelings of out-

rage and disgust. We reject any at-

tempt to impose upon the Palestin-

ian people a bloody and violent

agenda, which goes totally against

the efforts and aspirations of our

people to live in freedom, peace and

We condemn without ny reserva-

tion any violent actions aimed at

Sir. - In your issue of March 8, I read with interest your front-page headline claiming "Polls give Ne-tanyahu slight lead." In your report, vou give readers information about the latest election polls, quoting Yediot Aharonot's Mina Tzemah, the Smith poll and the Ma'ariv Gallup poll. About the latter, you state that "a Gallup poll to appear today in

Your information about Ma'arir's Gallup poll of March 8 is incorrect. In fact, the opposite is the case. In the Ma'arir that I read, Peres gets 46% and Netanyahu 40% with the

Ma'arir shows Netanyahu ahead hy

PALESTINIAN INTELLECTUALS desire for retaliation. We call upon the government of Mr. Shimon Peres and the Israeli people to act rationally without attempting to comply or compete with the frantic

calls of the extreme right. We believe that the proper steps towards the eradication of the roots of the violence and counter-violence can only be based on the affirmation of the right of both Palestinians and Israelis to freedom and independence. These steps should concentrate on the mutual interests of the two peoples, through the achieve-

ment of just peace. ABBAS SHIBLAK (academic) HANAN ASHRAWI (academic and critic) SULEIMAN MANSOUR (artist) BASSAM OTHMAN (journalist) And 47 other Palestinian intellectuals

Ramallah.

Ma'ariv front-page headline reading "Poll taken yesterday: The advantage for the race for prime minister returns to Peres."

is it still possible to get good, accurate, objective reporting from The Jerusalem Post? DR. STANLEY RABINOWITZ

The results published in The Jerusalem Post were of an earlier poll taken by Ma'arin. Those published in Ma arir were of a poll taken late Thursday night, to which The Jerusalem Post had no access before deadline. The Post regrets the error.

ARAFAT AND HAMAS Sir, - I come to Israel several times a year to visit my daughter and her family and I am appalled by what I have seen happening here over the last few years. The terrorist atrocities are certainly bad enough, but what makes them worse is the government's response (or lack of it) to the succession of these beinous attacks. How many times must someone tell you, by words and by deeds, that he is out to kill you hefore you start taking bim seriously.

It has become quite apparent that Arafat and Hamas are two sides of the same coin. Hamas, by its actions, makes it clear that its intention is the destruction of the State of Israet. Arafat, by his words to his own people and his deification of Engineer" and the suicide bombers, also makes it obvious that the "peace process" is only the first step in the same direction.

I was always supportive of the decision of my daughter and son-inlaw to make aliya some six years ago, but now, in light of the government's unwillingness to take the necessary steps to safeguard its citizens, I am starting to bave doubts that their decision was a correct one. JACK BALSAM

CREEP

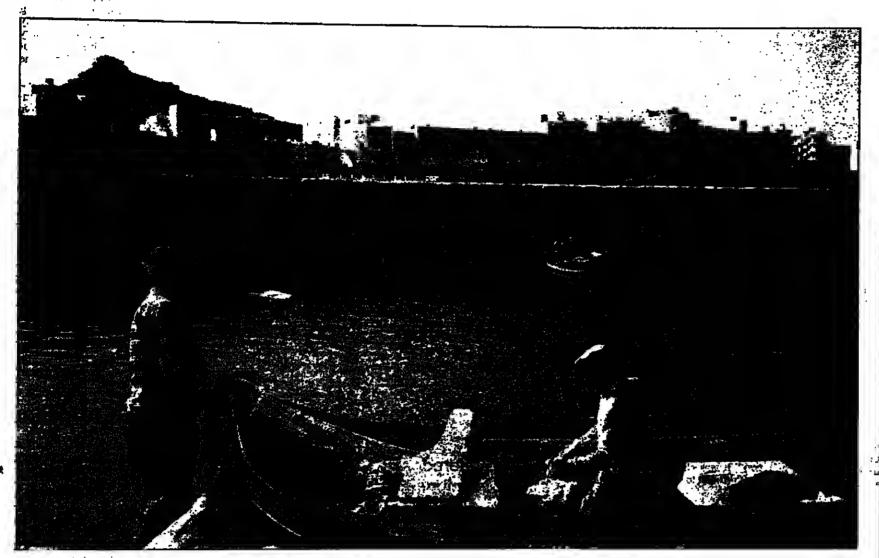
Oceanside, New York.

Sir, - Why do you always print a picture of this terrible creep, Yigal Amir, with his terrible grin? Is it not enough that you write about him? Do you want to turn him into a celebrity?

E. STEINER-COHEN

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Above: Fishermen fold their nets on brightly painted boats—or "Luzzn." .. Far right: A charming passage—Citta Delta, in Gozo's "Old City," Mafta. Right: A vendor sells fish in the Victoria Gozo, Malta.



Photos by Dorothy Storck



History's Golden Crossroad

first saw the Grand Harbour of Valletta a decade ago from the deck of a ship, just after dawn.

We were two days out of North Africa, sailing in gray seas. Tunisia lay behind us with its white wind and dusty palms, vaguely menacing, like a dream without color.

Somehow this island nation has managed to take bits from 5000 years of cross currents, invasions, and rude awakenings and turn it all into a mosaic of beauty and zest.

Malta, rising suddenly off the bow, made me reach for a sun shade. The harbor is a hit to the senses: Colonades the color of creme caramel, white yachts on azure water, steel tankers and crimson pilot boats. High over the fortified walls the spires of a Renaissance cathedral gleam with gold.

Out of an empty ocean comes this cosmos of bustle and beauty and business at hand-a magic harbor. Ulysses, it is written, lingered here for seven years, a willing captive in

Calypso's cave while Penelope knitted back By Dorothy Storck bome in Ithaca. One can understand.

That day, 10 years ago we sailed on. Last year, in early spring, I finally came back. "Yalta?" a friend asked. "You're going to

Odd that some people who are so familiar with other parts of the Mediterranean-Italy, Greece, and the overtrammeled French Riviera know so little of Malta.

Geographically, the five islands of Malta (the big island, also called

Malta, rural Gozo, tiny Comino, and two unoccupied islands) lie in a direct sea path between Europe and Africa, 60 miles southwest of Sicily, 210 miles east of Africa.

Philosophically and culmraily, Malta is a mix of 5,000 years of itinerant civilizations arriving, pausing, and moving on.

It is thought that stoneage man paddled over from what is now Sicily and erected temples to a goddess of fertility-a fetchingly plump goddess (actually known as "The Fat Lady") discreetly swathed in a fringed skirt. Amazingly, the remains of these temples—older than the pyramids—still stand in open fields and you can wander through them, finger their wall carvings, gaze at the stars through their open roofs.

See Istanbul's Sights to Learn its History

By Glenda Winders

Copley News Service

suppose it would be possible in visit the modern, bustling city of Istanbul and not even think about its history. The food alone is perfect—sun-ripened tomatoes, fresh olives, spicy lamb kebabs and sweet, outry baklava—is worth the journey. So is the sightseeing. This is where East literally meets West, with parts of the city lying on two cootinents, Europe and Asia, separated by the dazzling

in Rome and completed by Constantine I in 325.

Originally, it was a venue for games (seating 100,000) until sporting competition became political rivalry and such activities had to be stopped. Later, it was used for chariot races and as a spot for displaying columns and statuary from throughout the Roman Empire.

Only three stadiums or hippodromes remain today. The most impressive is the obelisk of Theodosius, a monolith from Egypt that was first erected in the 15th century B.C. and brought to Constantinople in A.D. 390. Its hieroglyphic inscriptions depict the victories of an Egyptian pharaoh, and the carvings on the marble base tell the story of the monument's being brought to its new place and of the emperor's family watching the chariot races.

THE UNDERGROUND CISTERN

Plan to spend a few minutes in the Underground Cistern, a remarkable structure created by Constantine and restored by Justinian in 532 for storing the imperial water supply. Since practicality was the motivator for the construction, many of the 336 columns used to support the edifice were recycled from temples and government buildings. Two of them are supported by beautifully carved heads of Medusa-sideways and upside down.

TOPKAPI PALACE

This intriguing palace, built during the reign of Mehmet the Conquerer in the 1400s, sits within a walled complex on a hill overlooking the confluence of the Bosporous, the Golden Horn and the Sea of Marmara. It served as the home of the Ottoman rulers until the 19th century, and today it contains several museums that house everything from jeweled treasures to sacred relies of Mohammed and the caliphate.

To Western visitors, the most fascinating and enlightening part of a tour is the harem. Guides explain that these quarters were not just for housing women who supplied the reigning sultan's pleasure. Rather, all the women; including his mother, his wives, their servants and their children. lived here companionably, guarded by cunuchs.

The decor here is a tribute to wealth. Walls are tiled, doors are made of mother-of-pearl and furniture is gilded and bejeweled. The ceremoni-

al throne is made of solid gold.

severe strain on the treasury.

DOLMABACHE PALACE

Sultan Abdulmecit built this palace overlooking

the Bosporous in the 19th century, reportedly to com-

Unfortunately, he lavished so much state money on its

Still, a great deal of history has taken place bere

during the palace's relatively short existence. The first

pete with those in Europe, most ootably Versuilles.

expensive rococo appointments that he placed a

parliament convened here in 1877 and the first

Turkish Historical Congress was held in 1932.



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Once a Byzantine cathedral and later a mosque, Hagia Sophis in Islambul, Turkey, is now a museum that honors both Christian and Islamic traditions.

blue waters of the Bosporus.

The shopping is like nowhere else in the world. Handmade rugs, leather coats, mother-of-pearl game boards and gold bangles are available at the Covered Bazaar and on every street corner, as well as in upscale department stores: The stalls in the Spice Bazaar put the senses on overload with pungent herbs, bright strings of peppers and the aroma of freshly ground coffee.

Yet to ignore the city's rich history is to miss out completely on the layers of struggle and adventure that explain bow this energetic metropolis came to be.

Legend has it that in the seventh century B.C. the Greek Megaran leader Byzas consulted the oracle at Delphi and was told to settle across from the "land of the blind ones." When he arrived at Chalcedon, on the Asian shore, he looked across the Bosporus to the European side and marveled that earlier colonists must have been blind not to recognize the area's beauty and advantageous strategic position. He founded a city and named it Byzantium.

The city was colonized by the Greeks around 660 B.C. and was the site of numerous Persian iovasions. In A.D. 196 it was captured by Septimus Severus and absorbed into the Holy Roman Empire. Constantine the Great reboilt the city and recamed it Constantinople in 326. From that point it became a symbol of luxury and riches, a mixing point for what remained of the classical period and the Roman influence of the new Christian era.

Crusaders sacked the city in 1204, but Byzantium survived for 200 more years until it was overtaken by Ottomans and renamed Istanbul (according to some, from Islambol, meaning full of Muslims) in 1453. The Ottoman Empire lasted until World War I, but by the end of the 17th century it had begun to crumble, as many of its component states made other alliances or gained independence. The empire formally ended in 1918, and the modern republic was organized by a war hero, Mustafa Kemal, who was subsequently renamed Alaturk, father of Turks.

These vastly different cultural groups each left their stamp on Istanbul, and many of their palaces and monuments still stand today. Thus, to tour some of the city's attractions is to trace its rich heritage and colorful past. This sampling only scratches the surface, but it's a good place to start.

THE HIPPODROME

The construction of this type of stadium was started by Septimus Severus in 203 to resemble Circus Maximus

THE SULTANAHMENT MOSQUE

Known more commonly as the Blue Mosque, this most extraordinary of Istanbul's mosques was built for Ahmet I between 1609 and 1616 and is unique because it has six minarets. Since Muslims do not portray human images or icons in their places of worship, the interior of this mosque gleams with blue and white tiles depicting flowers and birds that have symbolic meanings. Until the 19th century, this mosque was the starting point for a pilorimene to Mosco.

starting point for a pilgrimage to Mecca.

In keeping with Muslim tradition, both meo and women should avoid wearing shorts here, and women should plan to cover their arms and heads. All visitors are required to remove their shoes before walking on the prayer rugs inside. Be prepared to tip a child when you return for keeping an eye on yours.

The mosque is open to tourists every day, except during times of prayer.

HAGIA SOPHIA

Just a short walk across a courtyard from the Blue Mosque is what was once a Byzantine cathedral, Hagia Sophia, which means sacred wisdom. The church was begun during the reign of Constantine in 325-360 and reboilt by Justinian lo 536. It was burned repeatedly during various insurrections over the centuries and its golden mosaics and silver crosses stolen by marauders. At the Turkish conquest of Istanbul io 1453, Mehmet II converted it ioto a mosque: later Suleyman I 11520-1566) plastered over the mosaics.

It has been restored many times, most extensively

by the Turkish architect Sinan, who built the abutments to carry the outward thrust of the dome to the foundations, thereby saving the dome from collapse. In 1934, Ataturk proclaimed the edifice a museum. Today, it provides a dramatic juxtaposition of Christian and Islamic heritages. Verses from the Koran are inscribed in the dome, and large camel-hide plaques that carry the names of Allah, Mohammed and the major caliphs coexist with Christian mosaics.

While you're here, stop at the "sweating column," so named because it absorbed water from a cistern below. Here, Justinian is said to have cured a migraine by putting his head against the cool stone. After centuries of pilgrims have visited, a deep indeatation called the "holy hole" has resulted.

Amurk, who had taken up residence in the harem area, died here November 10, 1938.

THE MILITARY MUSEUM

This newly refurbished museum provides the predictable display of weaponry and uniforms, but it
offers some surprises that make it anything but ordinary. On one level is a display of richly embroidered
and lavishly carpeted tents from Ottoman campaigns
that makes these battles all but come to life.

The best part of a visit to this museum is the performance of the Janissary Band, the first marching military band in the world. In Ottoman times, these elite musicians played loud marching pieces that - scared the enemy away and influenced composers from Beethoven to Mozart. Now they put on a lively and colorful performance for visitors daily at 3 p.m.

TROY

If time allows for only a day trip outside the city, the choices are many, but my vote is for Troy. Travelers familiar with Ephesus say the Roman ruins there are in much better condition than the Greek ones in Troy, but Troy is closer and is situated in the idyllic countryside around Canakkale, which is rich with legends and history.

Here the ceremonial temples, homes and protective walls of nine cities have been uncovered and labeled in an ongoing archaeological dig. And while the Trojan horse may exist only in stories, a wooden replica has been built on the site so that visitors can imagine what it would have been like to be a Greek soldier inside. Other famous tomists who have visited this site are Xerxes, Alexander the Great and Julius Caesar.

Canakkale and Troy are a four-hour bus trip from Istanbul or a short flight on Turkish Airlines. Flights only leave a few times a week, so check ahead for scheduling.

GALLIPOLI

Across the Dardanelles by ferry from Canakkale lie the battlefields of Gallipoli. Here, for as far as one can see, are cemeteries and memorials to the soldiers who fought in the World War I campaign in which the Ottoman army turned back the combined forces of the British Empire, including Australian, French and Italian Allies.

These hills overlooking the sea are now a national monument, the graves and trenches a graphic reminder of the futility and loss of war. Here; at Anzac Cove, named for the Australian and New Zealand forces, carved in stone, is Ataturk's message to the Allied soldiers who died in an attempt to defeat the Turks:

Those heroes that shed their blood, you are oow living in the soil of a friendly country. Therefore rest in peace. There is no difference between the Johnnies and the Mehmets to us where they lie side by side here in this country of ours. You, the mothers who sent their sons from far away countries, wipe away

IF YOU GO

Prepare yourself

Read a good history of Tarkey or a guidebook so you'll know what to look for as you trek through Istanbul and surrounding historical cities—and be able to recognize it when you get there. Insight Guides: Turkey (Houghton Miffin) provides a brief, readable capsule of history and is a useful guidebook once you arrive. The Med by Homer is also funto read-in preparation for a visit to Troy.

If you're serious about seeing as many historical sites as possible but time is limited, a tour operator is your best planning bet. My trip interior operator is your best planning bet. My trip interior operator is your best planning bet. My trip interior operator is your operator. My trip interior is your operator in the property of the property of

Getting There

Host Rights to istanbul require going through a European gateway city. Lofthansa German Afrilines offers many flights each week from U.S. cities by way of Dosseldorf, Munich or Frankfust.

Where to Stay

Several major botal chains, such as Hilton, Ramada and Heliday Inn, now operate hotels in fatantial, and there are also many small, budget conscious hotels throughout the city. I stayout at the Hyatt Regency, which proved to be a good choice for many reasons. It is located near lively Taksim Square and within walking distance of many of the sights you'll want to see. The helpful conclerges will help you plan your day and arrange transportation. As an added bonus, the rooms here are designed to resemble the war tents of Ottoman suftains at inch forch for the traveler in search of istantial's history.

your tears; your sons are now lying in our bosom and are in peace. After having lost their lives on this land they have become our sons as well."

Glenda Winders is a Copley News Service editor and columnist.



This lounge in the harem area of Topkapi Palace in Istanbul, Turkey, is where a seltan might have once received an honored guest.

MAIDEN MINERVA

Swan Helienic's 194-cabin Minerva will depart April 29 on its 15-day maiden voyage from Genea, Italy. Charting a course in the eastern Mediterranean, the ship will call at Naples and Messina, Italy: Olympia, Athens, Delphi and Rhodes, Greece; and Ephesus and Pergammum, Turkey.

Minerva's accommodations vary from standard inside cabine to lucurious suites with private verandas. Fares for the voyage range from \$4,795 to \$9,545 per person, double occupancy. Ahrare between London and the starting and ending ports, accommodations, all meals, shore excursions, gratuities and porterage are included.

Following the Inaugural cruise, the Minerya will sail to Northern Africa for The Romans In

Africa' and Iberia for 'The Arts of Iberia' before returning to Loudon for a series of crases to lessed and the Western Isles of Scotland. In July, the stip will embark on 13-day voyages to the Baltic countries. FYI: Classical Cruises & Tours, 132 East 70th Street, New York, New York, 10021; [001] 212/517-7555.

SEEING SICILY

Travelers who want to explore Sicily's history and beauty can choose between two literaries offered by Amelia Tours.

The 11 day 'Just Sicily' that begins with tory nights in Paleimo, from which the group makes excursions to Monte Pellegrino, the Golden Basilica of Mooreale, the seaside town of Cefals, the Greek temple at Segasta and the Norman cas-

tie aton Erice. The group also spends two nights.
In Agrigento and three nights in the resort town of

Just Sicily costs \$2,180 per person, activities accommodations, must meets, motor courch transportation, guide services and abport transfers. The tour is limited to 24 participants, Departures, are scheduled for May 19, Sept. 26 and Dec. 22.

Nobie Sicilian' is a 13-day journey that follows a similar route to 'lost Sicily,' but with more excursions. The group will walt the estate of Count Tasca for lanch and a tour of his winery. Limited to 16 participants, Wobie Sicilian' is priced at \$3,150 per person. Departures are scheduled for June 2 and Oct. 16. FYL Amalia Trains, (001) 516/579-1580.

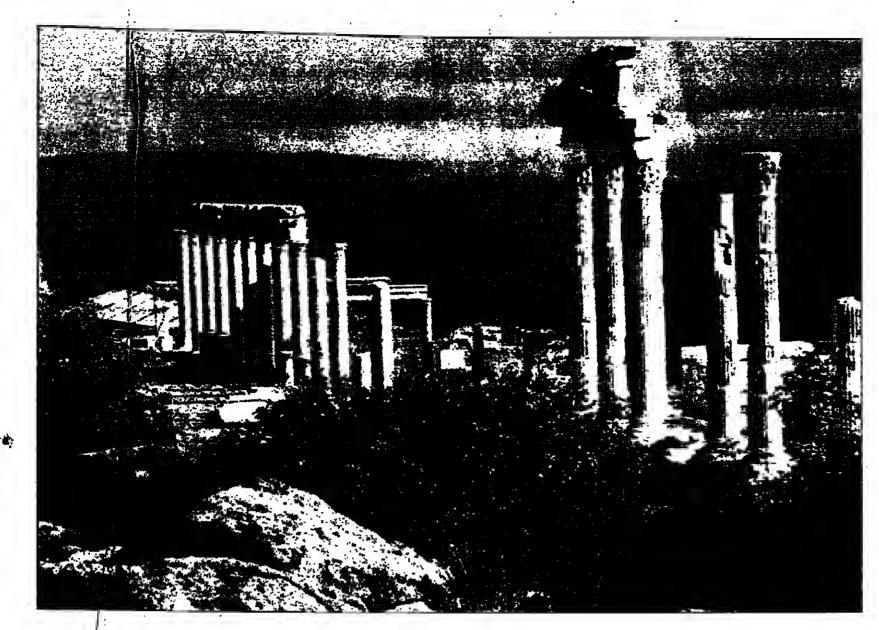
PASSAGE TO INDIA

Orient Cruise Lines has a special two-for-one offer for its "Passage to India" itinerary, April 11.

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Marco Polo will call et Rusia Lumpur and Penang,
Malaysia; Pluttet, Thalland; Colombo, Sri Lanka; and
Cochis and Goa, India. The package also includes,
live nights in Singapore and a three-night land packaga Belhi, plus sightseeing tows of both cities.
The price for the first passenger is \$3,645; the
second passenger travels for free. Both passen
gas must pay for port charges, air fare and of
faxes. FY: Orient Lines, (001) 954/527-6660.

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TURKEY'S BACK ROAD DELIGHTS



By Roberta Sotonoff

The ony English this young Turk knew was, "Webome to my country."

Friendiness, the kaleidoscope of sights, sounds and smels, the diversity of its people-Turkey is a treasure fall these things.

"Hal of the visitors that come here arrive by cruise slip and visit only Istanbul and Ephesus," says Turkish Fourist Ministry Director, Mustafa Siyahhan, "They do not really see what we are about."

Navigating the roads of Turkey is a real trip. It can be leisurly or expeditious. The highways are a panoraria of the country. A BMW or Mercedes may pass you Fiat, but you will have to pass trucks, camels, nws, horses, sheep, three-wheeled carts, bikes an motorcycles.

Thest roads have always been important to wayfarers. Becase of Turkey's strategic location bordering Asia and Europe, the Ottomans, controlled trade routes like the Ryal Road and the Silk Road. In fact, their domination over these thoroughfares became an impetus for Eropeans to find a water route to the East.

During these times sultans offered merchants, along with their elephants and camels, free lodging for three nights at hani. Today's journeyers do not get the benefits the modern day hani. They have to pay for their accommodations.

The podern European-style capital of Ankara is a good plac to begin exploring Turkey. Start at Ankara's impressive Museum of Ancient Civilization. All of Turkey someseums are fascinating and informative, but this one cironicles history from 10,000 years ago to Greek ant Roman times.

Turke's history is diverse and Ankara is filled with interesting sites. For example, Ataturk's mausoleum in Ankara. Mustafa Kernil Ataturk, the father of nodern-day Turkey, brought the country into the 20th entury in 1923. He westernized it with secu-

lar and economic reforms like the banning of tradirional fezzes, turbans, and veils. He replaced the Muslim calendar and Arabic script with the Gregorian calendar and Roman script.

Southwest of Ankara is Cappadocia, an eerie hunar-like complex. Since 2000 B.C., inhabitants have carved out homes in caves, volcanic tuffs and under-

Friendliness, the kaleidoscope of sights, sounds and smells, the diversity of its people-Turkey is a treasure of all these things.

Derinknyu, an eight-leveled underground city, resembles something from "Raiders of the Lost Ark." Its 10,000 Christian residents took refuge from the frequent attacks of marauding Arabs. They built 1,000 churches in the caves, decorated with beautiful frescoes that are found today at the Goreme Open Air

South of Cappadocia is the traditional city of Konya, with its red-tiled roofs and turquoise steeples. Gentlemen with bright green conical hats or scarf-clad women dressed in traditional black dresses are a familiar sight near the Mevlana Mezusi or the Alaedidin Tepesi. Konya was the home of the Mevlana, the Sufic mystic who founded the "Whirling Dervish" sect.

BARGAIN SHOPPING

From Konya, the rugged, mountainous roads south and west lead to the resort town of Antalya. Carpet, leather and jewelry shops line the hilly cobble-stone streets. Following the crooked streets down to the picturesque Mediterranean shore, we search for dinner. Selecting fresh fish from an outdoor display is a Turkish ritual. It is cooked to order while we watch

the activity on the seashore. After dinner we experience the jewelry and carpet conspiracy.

A young man approaches. "My father owns a rug store. Come and see. He will make you a good deal."

Show a glimmer of interest, and you will be whisked there as quickly as you can say, "Open Sesame." While imbibing the complementary drink, and being smothered with kindness, a carpet salesman displays an ability he must have inherited from Ali Baba. Carpets unroll so quickly,

they seem to take flight. The ruins of the Greco-Roman Empire are everywhere. There are remnants of cities such as Perge, Side, Aspendos, the 4,000-foot above sea-level city of Termessos, Aphrodesis, Kerapolis, Spardis, Pergamum Asclepion, Troy, and Ephesus.

Ephesus, formerly the capital of Asia, is fabulous. Its Celsus Library once housed 12,000 scrolls. The daily life of its former 300,000 residents seems to seep out if its incredible marble structures and paved streets.

"This long row of toilets was a meeting place for nobility." explained a guide. "Slaves would warm them for their masters so they would not have to sit on

As incredible as these ruins is Istanbul. It lies in both Europe and Asia. From Cambica Hill, the highest point in Istanbul, there is a spectacular view of the city's hilly landscape. Doned with mosques, palaces, museums, and monuments, it is surrounded by the



Bosphorous, the Marmara Sea, and the Golden Horn.

Once the hub of the Ottoman Empire, it would was deal take more than a month to see the sights. The network of buildings at the Topkapi Palace is a full day's excursion. Its fabulous jewels, including the famous Topkapi dagger, is a bauble lover's dream.

The 4,000 shops of the Grand Bazaar has the best souvenir shopping. But the Spice Bazaar incorporates the real ambiance of Istanbul. Odors rise from spiceladen barrels, while sights and sounds of a hodgepodge of cultures gorge your senses.

A Turkish bath is relaxing after shopping. Sitting nude on a stoop in an enormous marble domed room. one can only wonder, "What am I doing half-way around the world with only a towel?"

The Turkish massage is worth the wonder. Turkey has so much to offer, it will put your brain on "circuit overload." It is also the bargain of Europe. Where else can you go where a cup of tea and a car wash is included with a fill-up?

Roberta Sotonoff is a freelance travel writer.

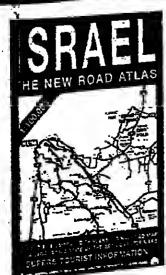
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Malta From page I

In the coastal villages the fishermen still go out to sea in the small boats or "luzzu", painted with eyes on the front to ward off evil-a custom retained from 1400 B.C. when the Phoenicians made the island a regular trade route stop-over.

Most who have heard of Malta ask, of course, about The Falcon. Native Maltese tend to wince at the mention of it.

The Maltese Falcon of history is not a lead artifact from Hollywood. It was the token yearly rental paid to

jazz clubs overlooking the harbor.

Charles V of Spain, Holy Roman Emperor, by the

to occupy the islands.

on its walls.

Knights of the Order of St. John who arrived io 1530

The Knights, driven out of Rhodes by the invading

Ottoman Turks, came to Malta determined to defend it against the infidels at all costs. To do this they built

the golden, fortified city of Valletta overlooking the Grand Harbour, thus moving the capital from the

medieval hillside town of Mdina where the Spanish

aristocrats lived [and still live) in isolated splendor.

in the great siege of 1565. They adorned their new

Michelangelo. Mostly made up of younger sons of

European nobility from backgrounds of wealth and

pride, the Order built palaces called "auberges" for

erhoods. (The English "langue" was subsequently suppressed after Henry VIII quarreled with the Pope.)

each of its eight different "langues", or national broth-

The vast, glittering, if slightly overwrought Co-

Pledged from the time of the Crusades to tend the

sick and wounded, the Knights did so with a grandeur

peculiarly their own. Hospital patients were addressed

as "M'Lord" and were served food on silver and gold

platters. Many thought it decadent. During almost

over-ripe lassitude, the Knights invited not one

Maliese to joio the Order.

160 years of peaceful rule.

any other theater of war.

Bogart.

three centuries of stern rule which later slipped into

Finally, io 1798, a rakish French-Corsican en

route to conquer Egypt was invited in by the native

Maltese to rid themselves of the Knights and their

autocraoc ways. Napoleon, a chancy guest-ruler at

best, turned out to be more interested in looting

churches than in mediating laws. The French were

turfed out in short order by Lord Nelson and the

one of them. Nor, for that matter, is Humphrey

British who blockaded the harbor and moved in for

Malta has many heroes. Napoleon Bonaparte is not

The Maltese take heroism seriously. Embossed on

the national flag is the George Cross, Britain's highest

firm under waves of German and Italian bombing dur-

ing World War II, more concentrated bombing than in

Malta survived against starvation and siege, as it

had for centuries, and this time provided a base for the

decoration for civilian gallantry. It was awarded to

every Maltese by George VI after the island stood

Cathedral of St. John is perhaps the Order's mighti-

est monument, with two of Caravaggio's hangings

calling in as chief planner a colleague of

city with the architecture and art of the Renaissance,

The Knights of Malta stayed successfully in residence for 270 years, beating back the Turkish armada

In Malta, you can track history through every

side street from neolithic temples to Norman

castles to 16th-century palaces to 20th-century

In 1964, Malta became an independent republic. The stamp of British speech and law is still evident-English is one of two official languages, the Maltese parliament is based on the British, the Maltese lira is still called "the pound" by every shopkeeper, and the occasional tavern will still serve warm English beer.

But unlike other territories I have visited after the British trundled their empire elsewhere, Malta is uniquely-nay, insistently-its own sort of place.

Somehow this Island nation has managed to take bits from 5000 years of cross currents, invasions, and rude awakenings and turn it all into a mosaic of beauty and zest.

This is a country that is 80 percent Catholic. but the Almighty is referred to as "Allah." In a language that is primarily Arabic, the alphabet is written European style. The word for "good evening" is "bonswa"

(Napoleon lives!), and the word for "thank you" is "grazzi," said the same way you would say it on the Via Veneto in Rome. "Good morning," on the other hand, is "I'ghodwa ttajba," and "please," is "yekk joghgbok."

Listening to Maltese (for most newcomers it is impossible at first to pronounce the language with its mulople Xs and Qs and its consonants all in a row) you almost think you understand what is being said. There is the faint echo of speech mutated through the ages but still with an oddly familiar ring.

"It's Dutch!" exclaimed a traveling companion in sudden certainty. "No, we are dominantly a Latin culture," a Maltese

explained kindly. "You can tell. We move our hands when we speak."

If you go to Malta, don't go for the beaches or resorts. They do have them (Hollywood, The Falcon aside, has taken to filming pirate epics there), and you can simmer oo sand in the summer. But it would be a waste. There are better beaches elsewhere, on islands where history is little more than a grass skirt and a native carving in a cave.

In Malta, you can track history through every side street from neolithic temples to Norman castles to 16th-century palaces to 20th-century jazz clubs overlooking the harbor. You can drink cappuccino in the main square of Valletta while Queen Victoria glowers in marble majesty over your café table.

Maybe you'll step across the street to the Caffe Cordina, a coffee-house cum politico meeting place where the conversation in at least four languages has the yeastiness and flavor of freshly baked bread. Or wander up Republic street to the Grand Master's Palace for armour, tapestries and, sometimes, parliament.

You can book a show io the 16th-century Manoeltheater, or hang out at a hip wine bar over on St. . . Julian's Bay.

You might take the half-hour ferry ride to Gozo for Calyso's cave, a neolithic temple or two, or-even better-the bustle of that island's capital, Victoria, where you can catch a guitar player in the square while you watch a fishmonger taking bids on a seething bin of octopus. (Oddly, Gozo seems to be a mecca for locals who have emigrated to America to work and then returned home, much the richer and very house proud.)

You can drive or bus from Valletta to a nearby village to catch a festival or visit a catacomb. Maltese buses are owned by their drivers and you get the feeling that if you really want to go off route down that small lane, the Maltese driver will oblige.

My favorite Maltese moments had to be on the evening we drove along the sea coast in the setting sun to the village of Rabat for the festival of the Feast Allies to cut the vital line of supply ships from Italy to of St. Joseph.

The Maltese have a passion for fests, and as a

The vast, glittering cathedral overlooks the Grande Harbour of Vaileta, Malta.

evening, my canvas safari hat lifted off my head in the Catholic country they have a plethora of saints. Every home is open on feast days and the candlelit church is breeze and landed as if directed by doppler onto the head of a small boy riding on his father's shoulders. full. The sacred statue of the saint of the day is carried through the throngs on the shoulders of priests wear-He clutched the hat with both hands, his face a study ing cassocks the color of the surrounding Mediterof delight.

Joseph which, at that momeot, was bobbing by on its As I was pushing through the crowd in Rabat that

"Grazzi, grazzi!" he called to the stame of St.

wooden platform held aloft by the marching priests. For him-and for me-the miracle of Walta was clearly at work in its wondrous, ancient way.

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SNAPSHOT **Shed Light on the Subject**

By Carl and Ann Purcell

Copley News Service

fter the sun goes down most pictures of modern cameras with fast lenses and high-speed film has made a flash unnecessary in many instances. There are times, however, when supplementary light is needed.

The photography enthusiast should be aware that the advent of automation with electronic flash has made flash pictures much easier to take than in the past. This is most clearly evident with the very popular point-and-shoot cameras. These use electronic flash indoors or out and automatically compute exposure for the amateur. Outside flash in sunlight serves to fill in the dark shadows. With these types of cameras, the flash units are integrated into the cameras, and it is not necessary for the photographer to even think about the fact that he is using

More sophisticated photographers tend to avoid the use of flash, partly because they believe it creates an artificial quality in their pictures and partly because they don't feel comfortable with light they can't see and evaluate through their viewfinder.

To some extent, we share these feelings and understand the desire of many photographers to retain the sense of reality that is conveyed with available light. As professional photographers, however, it has been necessary for us to have the option of a flash to cope with night or indoor settings where the light level is inadequate for photography.

The standard 35 mm camera is equipped with a hot shoe on the top. This is a slot with electrical contacts designed for holding the electronic flash unit. The flash is triggered when the picture is taken. Most flash units utilize a builtin light sensor to set the exposure automatically. . This works on the principle that the light travels from the flash to the subject and back to the sensor on the unit, controlling the duration of the light to provide the precise exposure for the film.

One of the perennial problems with flash photography comes from the flash unit being mounted directly on the camera. This often results in a distracting shadow cast on the wall behind the subject, not to mention the flat quality of the lighting. There can also be a problem of 'red eye' where the retina of a person's eye reflects the light from the flash directly back to the film plane.

Fortunately, these problems can be overcome by using the flash off the camera with a coil connecting cord. The flash should be held up and off to one side. the light directed toward the subject. Under these circumstances, the automatic exposure feature will still work as long as the off-camera flash is about the same distance from the subject as the camera.

The photographer should be aware that flash can only cover a limited area in a picture. In a large, dimly lit room or outside at night, the person or subject will be properly exposed, but the background will be completely black. This distracting effect does not exist when a wall is reasonably close behind the subject.

The light from electronic flash tends to be rather harsh, and this can be softened by bouncing the light against a white surface so that it reflects back on the subject. Many flash units are equipped with tilting heads so they can be directed at any convenient surface. (Remember that for color film, the surface must be white.) Photographers familiar with flash techniques often carry white sheets or



Natural light casts a flattering glow on human subjects.

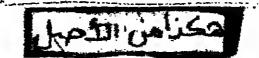
large squares of white cardboard for bouncing light. Some electronic flash unit incorporate a tiny fill light that is used to combination with the main bounce light. The most important goal in flash photography is to make your pictures loo as if they were taken without flash. This can best be achieved by blending the flah

skillfully with existing light. Be aware of both the oatural light reading and flat exposure when using this combination of light sources. In practice, we find that it belps to set a higher ISO rating on the flash thans recommended for the color film being used so that the artificial light does not dominate the photograph and overpower the natural light. For instance, you night set the flash unit at ISO 100 when using Kodachrome 64. You can only determine

the best rating by making some test shots. It is obvious that some form of flash is an important tool for the photographer. It can extend the range of your picture-taking into new omes and new places,

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Om Palestinion American - born in Umm el-Fahm who has lived the US since 1960s.

Though well educated and well aff (I awned an engineering consulting firm), with an American wife and four children, I am still unable to be absorbed fully in the American

melting pot.
Last year, I took my first visit to
this "homeland" (whether you call it Isroel, Palestine, or the Holy Land), and I immediately fell in love with that soil. My question is: Is there room for me and my wife to retire to Umm el-Fahm? Or get some part-time professorship at Isroeli or Polestinian universities? Or perhaps, perform engineering con-sulting services in Israel? How da the Israeli laws opply in our case? What about the stoius of our children? Can we own land? Pining Palestinion

Foirfax, Virginia Dear PP. For details about your legal status and job opportunities, you need to contact the Israeli Consulate and other relevant

authorities. But technical details are only a minuscule part of what such a move for you and your wife would entail. If, after 30-some financially fruitful years in the US, you still feel "lumpy" where the melting pot is concerned. imagine what it would take for your wife to feel at home in Umm el-Fahm. And the soil. which so struck your fancy during vacation, could look quite different once you're ensconced

Before undertaking such a major upbeaval, you would do well to take your wife on a few extended trips to the "homeland" for serious examination. You may be more absorbed in American culture that you may also be note absorbed in familiary

Dear Ruthie. I om the father of a 14-yeur-old who is unoble to deol with disonpointment. My wife says he will tion of every letter, but will

saying this since he was two. I keep trying to figure out ways to ease potentially explosive situations, with little success. (The other day, for example, when an imminent teochers' strike wus culled off of the lost minute, my son was so furious obout having to go to school, that he became verbally abusive toward us.) I think he needs to see a theropist, but he won't heor of it.

Frustrated Father Somewhere in Israel

Dear FF.

Your attempt to "ease potentially explosive situations" is counter-productive. You should be helping your son to accept disappointment as an integral, unavoidable, part of life.

"Freaking out" at the prospect of his unhappiness conveys the opposite message. Shrugging a spiritual shoulder the next time a teachers' strike is canceled would stand both you and your son in better stead for other letdowns. Perhaps it is you who should consider therapy.

Dear Ruthie.

My children befriended the neighbor's dog, who is pregnant. I just discovered - to my dismay that my neighbor promised a puppy from the impending litter to my kids. When I told them a dog is out of the question, they got indignant. After oll, o grown-up" promised them they could have one! I am quite onnoved of my neighbor for not having discussed this with me first. What do I do now?

Dog Duped Petah Tikva

Dear DD. You need not be annoyed with your neighbor, nor need you be manipulated by your children: The only "grown-ups" possessing a hinding power-of-promise to your kids should be you and their other parent. If your kids are able to convince you to change your mind about the canine, so be it. If not, so be it not

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Professor with a genius for social unity

Bar-Ilan University psychology professor Yehuda
Amir has worked against the tide
of growing social divisiveness
and individualism to promote what he believes is the original

Zionist goal of a united people. Social researcher, educational pioneer, founding chief of the IDF's research unit in behavioral sciences, founder and first director of Bar-Ilan University's Institute for Integration in the School System and Winston Institute for the Study of Prejudice, Amir has introduced programs promoting social inte-gration into hundreds of schools, authored more than 100 scientific articles and books, and worked tirelessly to reduce con-

Last May, he was awarded the 1995 Israel Prize for Psychological Research in recognition of his lifelong contribution to social integration. He was also named professor

flict between ethnic and social

emeritus at Bar-Ilan, where he has been affiliated since the early 60s, serving as full professor in the psychology department since 1978.

In addition to bis academic focus on ethnic and social integration, Amir stands as a personal example of the concepts he has tried to foster.

He has been for more than 30 years one of the few secular professors on Bar-Ilan's largely observant faculty, a point he has been proud to bring up to demonstrate the importance he places on promoting coexistence, particularly between religious and secular Jews.

Since early February, Amir has been confined to his Ramat Hasharon home, suffering from brain cancer. His wife Hemda, a clinical school sociologist who recently retired to assist her hushand, provided much of the information for this interview.

Bom to a religious family in Vienna in 1926, Amir fled Austria with his family in late 1938, arriving in Haifa in February 1939. He served in the Palmah during the War of Independence, received his BA from the Hebrew University and then went to New York in 1952, where he received his PhD in social psychology from New York University in 1958.

It was while researching his doctoral thesis at a Quaker summer camp in the US in 1956 that he developed his "social contact model," which colleagues today describe as his major theoretical contribution to the field of social and educational psychology.

Observing the interactions at different countries and ethnic backgrounds - including Jews,

Israel Prize winner Yehuda Amir's life has been a struggle to unify the nation. Sue Fishkoff reports



Prof. Yebuda Amir (above), a promoter of integration, says that different ethnic groups will not necessarily become closer through physical contact alone; specific conditions must be present for that to happen. (David M. Weinberg/Bar-Ilan University)

Germans and Arabs - Amir realized that different groups will not necessarily become closer through physical contact alone; specific conditions must be present during that contact.

Some of those conditions include cooperation rather than competition, working toward a sbared goal, meaningful and sustained interaction rather than superficial contact, and equal social status between the groups.

The model be developed from this research is now standard textbook material international-

Returning to Israel in 1959. Amir went to work for the IDF, becoming one of the key figures in the creation of the army's psy-chology research unit. When Bar-Ilan University was established three years later, Amir and several of his colleagues moved to the new university, where he remained for the rest of his pro-

Amir was always animated by

an Israeli society that would unite disparate Jewish groups into one national community, Hemda says. He further believed it was too late to wait until military service brought young people from different backgrounds together into the social melting pot. Integration bad to begin in the early school years.

Amir disagreed strongly with the early Israeli educational system's tracking program, which separated out gifted and poor students, and organized schools according to geographic neighborhood.

During Ramat Hasharon's first experiments with integrated schools nearly 20 years ago, Amir beaded the public committee that argued with wealthy parents who didn't want their children in the same classes with less well-off youngsters.

"He told them we are one nation, and this will benefit all our children." Hemda recalls. "Yehuda believed that better the early Labor Zionist vision of teachers would be needed to

teach integrated classes, and that would benefit all the students. He was very unhappy at the trend he saw taking place in Israeli soci-ety and Israeli schools the past few years, with the extreme individualist emphasis. He was so happy to get the Israel Prize, because it signified to him that the idea of integration, of making one nation out of the various ethnic groups in Israel, is still considered important." Amir did not believe that con-

tact can bring all conflicting groups closer. For example, Hemda says, he believed it could backfire in the case of secular and haredi Jews. But contact was the best method, he believed, for integrating children of other ethnic backgrounds in Israel - from Sephardic to Ashkenazi, Arab to Jew, Russians to Ethiopians, poor to wealthy, and he devoted much of the past decade to that

The Education Ministry appointed him 12 years ago as chairman of the public committee for examining reform in the education system. Through his institutes and public work, he has developed and implemented teaching techniques used in Israeli classrooms to foster inte-

gration. Amir's colleagues describe him as a man whose personality reflected his professional goals. "For him, intergroup relations wasn't just an academic topic," says Dr. Rahel Ben-Ari, director of the Institute for Social Integration and a former doctoral student of Amir's. "His whole personality portrayed bis theoretical ideas. He was intensely human, a very kind man. You don't see that very often in academic life."

Amir's quiet sense of bnmor often deflected conflicts in the ego-ridden world of academia.
He was regularly tapped to head
the general assemblies of the Israel Psychological Association, because of his rare ability to unite the various factions.

"He wasn't a joke-teller, but he always knew how to reduce tension in a room by looking at the humorous side of a situation," recalls Prof. Joseph Schwarzwald of Bar-Ilan's psychology department.

But Amir was perhaps most respected in his field for his emphasis on applied social research.

"When be approached his research, he always asked himself how it could help improve intergroup relations in Israel,"
Schwarzwald continues. "He
really dedicated himself to helping Israelis, especially within the educational system, live and cope with diversity. You don't find that many people in the academy who emphasize basic and applied research to that degree

Until the past few months, Amir kept up his tireless pace, organizing and attending international conferences, serving on the executive committees of World ORT and ORT Israel, and working on the government's "30 Settlements" educational project in Tiberias and Yehud.

Even during his second series of aggressive chemotherapy, when he was so weak he could hardly walk, he would get in the car to drive to Tiberias for committee meetings, Hemda says. He believed his work would make a difference. Henda says. His hopes and dreams for a united Island femain undanited, she says.

"We'd sometimes sit with friends who came here from America years ago, and they'd say, this is not the Israel we made aliya for Yehuda never accepted that

He always replied, we have to fight to make it that Israel."

America's new homeless: White and middle-class

'S evening falls, the tribe gathers by the river, to forage for smoke and drink and food. There is safety in num-

Wearing studded dog collars. their Mohawks dyed orange and green, their lips and nipples pierced, the tribe lives a hard-core life on the streets, an existence largely unknown in the mainstream America they have rejected as inane, materialist and hypo-

critical. They call themselves "gutter punks," and they are a new kind of homeless: white, middle-class, often bright, politically militant and without homes by choice. Not many of them are older than 21.

Their appearance and their lifestyle seem like a nightmare to many of their parents and much of society, as if all the promise of youth in America had been turned inside out, producing these nihilistic, angry, ironic spawn, all dressed in black, the end result perhaps of decades of family disintegration, suburban horedom and national cynicism.

America has always had its rebels, and the gutter punks today can be seen as the latest in a long

line, from the anarchist hobos to the Beats and the hippies.

But where the hippies may have espoused peace and love and a return to the land, with drugs viewed as a path to enlightenment, today's punks seem different. Their world, is dark, urban, dangerous, and many of the ones who drink and do drugs do not want visions; they want to black

"They're just kids. But they're kids who stick safety pins through their eyebrows and sniff paint and live in squats and scare the tourists, because most people don't understand what the hell these kids are talking about," said Tommy Ross, who runs a drop-in center in New Orleans, where the gutter punks come to wash and

stash their hundles.

They'll tell you, 'Hey man,
I'm living off the waste of
America, I don't need your money. And I don't need you.' I hear that one all the time."

"I only live for three reasons," said Eric. 20. slurring and stumhling around New Orleans's French Quarter with his friends on a recent night.

"To drink, to fight, to screw.

'The yuppie world means nothing'

OMELESS advocates suggest that many left because they were abused. That may be true, said Tonimy Ross, who runs the drop-in abused. That may be true, said Tolling Rese? What is a good home center in New Orleans. "But what is abuse? What is a good home center in New Orleans." But what is abuse? What is a good home and a bad home? Some kids come from completely awful situations. Dad's drunk and mom's a hooker, that sort of thing. But others tell me, 'My parents never really loved me.' Or 'They were too busy with the careers to care

"Paul Rigsby, a private investigator who searches out under-age punks for their families, said he believes most punks come from well-to-do homes. They re the smart kids in school, high IQs, scholarships. But at some point along the line, our educational system failed them. For some reason, they

"The world of the yuppies means nothing to me," said Stone, 18 and covjust pack up and leave." cred in patches, itching from scabies. I live on the streets. I'm a survivor and a warrior. And I drink to have visions, and to escape the nightmare of my life."What was the nightmare of his life? Stone stared ahead and then said. My parents are rich people who have never performed a noble gesture in their lives." To prove himself noble, Stone took the 72 cents he had and

handed it to a tourist. "I'm free," he said. "That proves it." On the wall of Kaldi's coffee shop, a mother has hung a flier describing her 16-year-old daughter, street-named Otto, and asking her to call home: her little brother misses her. She was a great kid, smart, straight As, said ber mom. "It's depressing to think she could be anywhere now, anywhere in the whole world."

Yet earlier, in the cold winter sunshine on "Hippie Hill," an amphitheater of stone steps that looks out on the quarter's picturesque Jackson Square, Becca. 18. sober and sweet-faced and carrying a sleepy puppy in her arms, said, "People are afraid of us, hut we're not the ones who are

scary." None of the advocates for the homeless or the gutter punks themselves knows the size of the tribe, and "tribe" is a word many of them use to describe the subculture, complete with ritualistic piercing, tattooing and adorn-

New Orleans, a winter haven for the tribe, prohably supported 500 or so homeless guner punks during Mardi Gras in February.



'Gutter punks' tramping along Rampart Street in the French Quarter of New Orleans.

There are probably thousands on the road at any one time. Ross reports that last year more than 2,000 kids came through the dropin center, and the population seems to have increased over the last four years.

"But numbers are real hard to

guess," said Paul Rigsby, a private detective who tracks down under-age, runaway punks for their families. "These kids are as migratory as Canada geese." Others cadge rides from Greyhound tines. But they da not go hame. It is just a scam to get someplace else.

There is a cave outside Tempe, Arizona; a farm in Kentucky; a creek bed in Austin, Texas. New Otleans, especially, has

what punks want: ahandoned buildings to squat in; dumpsters to dive in; a Bohemian, party atmosphere. And the city has



plenty of half-full cups of beer and booze to he picked up off of the curb or trash cans or table tops, a practice known as "ground scoring," the urban punkster's equivalent of living off the land.

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BUSINESS & FINANCE

Gonen rumored to follow Harley as El Al head

HAIM SHAPIRO

FOLLOWING the announcement oo Tuesday that El Al Director-General Rufi Harley had tendered his resignation, rumors were rife in aviation and tourism circles that his successor would be Tourism Ministry Director-General Eli Gonen.

Gonen, however, refused to comment on the rumors, saying be had not yet received any official offers. "I have no plans. No one has offered me the job," he said

yesterday.

He added he took it as a complement that his name was mentioned for the post ~ in recognition of the great advances made in the tourism industry during the

past year. However, he added that if he were to get the job, it would not mean he would automatically put forward the interests of the tourist industry. In the past, there was considerable tension between El Al and the Tourism Ministry, with the former favoring close control and limitations on charter flights and the latter pressing for open

skies and a liberal air policy.

The policies pushed for by El Al were not Harley's personal interests, Gonen said, adding that each sector had its own priorities.

"El Al and tourism have some joint interests, and they also have some interests which are not common," Gonen said. Meanwhile, Harley has refused

to comment on bis move or to elaborate on bis letter to El Al board chairman Yossi Ciechanover, the board and the transport and finance ministers which cited the government's fail-ure to press forward with the privalization of the national airline

as the reason for his resignation. Harlev said in his letter that it would become increasingly difficult for El Al to compete on the international aviation scene and to develop if it was not privatized.

Bank Leumi profits rise 30% in '95

Net profits increase 32% in fourth quarter

BANK Leurni announced yesterday a 30.1 percent increase in annual net profits to NIS 410.1 million from NIS 315.3m. in

Net return on shareholders equity increased to 6.9% from 5.5%. The bank's fourth quarter net profits increased 32.1% to NIS 81.7m.

Leumi general manager Galia Maor announced that the bank will implement a 1-cw commission policy whereby the bank undertakes not to increase commissions

The policy is intended to improve relations between the bank and customers.

"We undertake not to increase commissions on all of our existing activities, even if there are other changes in the market - such as competitors raising of commissions and changes in the inflation rate," said Maor.

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The aim of the policy is to encourage customers to increase business activity.

Maor said Bank Leumi is expected to lose commission income of NtS 35m.-NIS 45m. if implementation of the policy is not accompanied by a rise in customer activity.

The 1995 results were partly offset by a 73.4% growth in provisions for doubtful debts to NIS 867.2m.

The rise was mainly due to the agriculture sector's debts and also to an increase in debts of the private sector resulting from the fall in the value of securities on the capital market.

Operating and other income fell 3.4% to NIS 1.85 billion, while operating and other expenses

increased 0.2% to NIS 3.24b. The hank attributed the regis-

tered growth in earnings to an 8.2% rise in credit to the pubic and an 8.3% increase in deposits to the puhic.

As a result, profits from financing operations before provisions for doubtful debts increased 17.8% to NtS 2.97b..

Subsidiary and affiliated companies in Israel contributed NIS 344.1m., compared with NIS 419.4m. in 1994.

The drop was blamed mainly on the rise in provisions for doubtful

Foreign subsidiaries' contribution increased to NIS 66m. from NIS 61.2m.

Maor said she is unhappy with Banque Leumi France, which suffered losses of FF 13.7m. -compared with profits of FF 8.6m. in

Total assets remained virtually unchanged at NIS 112.7b. from NIS 112.4b. More foreign currency reforms announced

BUSINESS BRIEFS

The Postal Authority's first catalog of Israeli philatelic souvenir sheets and display cards has been published with full-color phosphets. tographs of all such commemoratives issued since 1981. Produced on chromo paper, the catalog begins with a souvenir sheet marking a Jewish War Veterans conference and a French-Israeli conference

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Services office in Jaffa or by calling (03) 512-3905. Judy Siegel

Thursday, March 28, 1996

JENNIFER FRIEDLIN

IN keeping with the government's policy of slowly easing foreign currency restraints, the Bank of Israel yesterday announced several reforms - including raising the yearly ceiling on credit card purchases of foreign goods from \$1,500 to \$5,000.

The bank also raised the amount of money israelis are entitled to bring ioto the country from \$3,000 to \$5,000, and lifted restrictions that forbid purchasing timesharing arrangements directly from overseas agents.

The purchases, which can not exceed \$15,000, will remain under the bank's supervision.

Foreigners wishing to invest here will no longer be required to opeo local accounts, and stock purchases will now also be considered as investments. The bank's foreign currency division has not decided to lift the limitations it imposes on foreign companies whose investments are managed by Israeli ones.

The bank also announced a proposal for offering banking ser-

vices through post offices.
Banks wishing to will be able to grant the post offices with the right to accept cash and check deposits, as well as to dispense

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The Israel Electric Corporation (hereafter "the Corporation") wishes to purchase goods/ services, as detailed below:



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Preconditions:

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b. Participation in the tension is also subject to suffilling the preconditions, detailed in the Mandatory Tender Regulations 1993, Para 5(a) 2.23 (i.e. registration as required by law, compliance with applicable standard specifications, and the totaling of the persons for suspension are public bodies).

The tender documents may be obtained at the Market Research and Tenders Dept. 13d, 24. Yam, Haifa, Sunday to Thursday, 9 a.m. - 12 soon. The documents will be provided upon submitting a receipt confirming payment (non-returnable) at a branch of the Pestal Bank. The fee is former returnable.

Payment slips for paying this fee are obtainable at the above address (Tet. 04-8615655/4). Before purchasing the tender documents; they may be perused at the offices of the Market Research and Tenders Dept. at the above accress, or at the Sales Unit. 90 Relich Yigas Alors, Tel Aviv. Astron. Building, Entrance Bet, Flagr & Tel. 03-5654679 or 03-5654641. Sunday Bids must be submitted in a sealed envelope and placed in Tenders Bob building, Haifa, at the above eddress, by the last date for submitting pass. No undertaking is given to accept the lowest or any bid.

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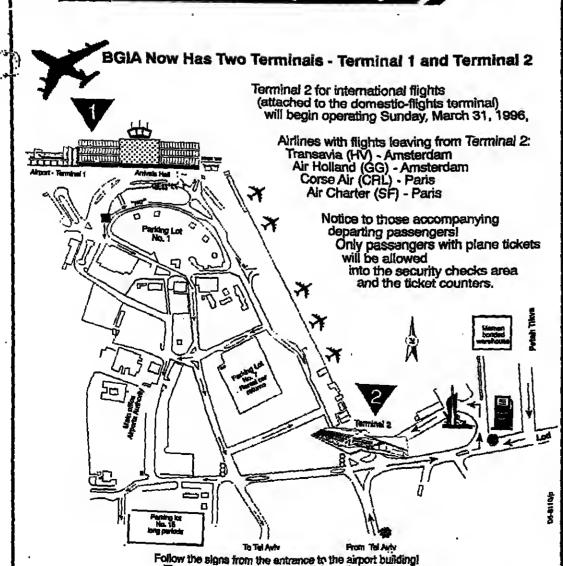
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'Natural gas imports from Saudis may soon be a reality'

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THE peace process may ultimately result in Israel purchasing gas from SaudiaArabia. Oil Refineries general manager Moshe Farajun said vesterday.

Speaking at a press conference. Farajun criticized the government's ongoing negotiations to import natural gas from Egypt. explaining that in the future it may be possible to import from Saudia Arabia at a cheaper cost.

"While negotiating with Egypt. it is important to remember that an option must be left for the entrance of other partners into the agreemeot, like Saudia Arabia," he said.

We are the ideal natural buyer for Saudi Arabia," said Farajun, who called on the government not to hasten to sign an agreement with Egypt.

"In my opinion, the proposal to negotiate with Egypt is out of political motives," he said. "People want to say they have achieved another agreement with

Oil Refineries yesterday reported a rise in net profits to NIS 124 million from NIS 94m. in 1994. The results include losses of NIS 155m. from the refineries sector and profits of NIS 265m. in the petrochemical sector.

The company said the refinery sector suffered losses as a result of the unrealistic prices which are determined by the government and also the drop in refinery business worldwide.

The two refineries processed 11.7 million tons of crude petroleum last year, compared with 12.1 million in 1994.

The company said its 1996 work program is based on the process of 12 million tons of crude oil.

In the petrochemical sector, Gadiv Petrochemical Industries reported a net profit of NIS 165m., while Carmel Olefins contributed NIS 100m. to total earn-

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Leumi: Morgan-Stanley will consult us on sale of non-financial holdings

US INVESTMENT bank Morgan-Stanley will consult Bank Leumi on the sale of its nonfinancial holdings. Lemni chairman of the board Eitan Raff announced yesterday.

Raff said the two banks are expected to sign an agreement during the next few days.

According to the government's banking reforms. Leumi is required to reduce its holdings in non-financial assets to a maximum of 25% by the end of the year and 20% by the end of 1999.

As a result. Leumi will have reduced its holdings io Africa Israel Investments, Af-Shar, Leumi Insurance Holdiogs (which

US wants electronic foil resistors from Vishay Israel GALIT LIPKIS BECK

THE US Department of Defense has granted Vishay Israel, a fullyowned subsidiary of Vishay Intertechnology, approval to pro-duce its electronic foil resistors for US military use.

The Holon-based company yes-

terday announced that its electronic foil resistors have been tested and qualified by the US Pentagoo to receive an Established Reliability (ER) rating.

The ER rating is required for certain special electronic components used by the US Department of Defense for sensitive military applications like the Cruise missile. the Navy's Aegis program and an advanced computer-con-

trolled weapons system.

Dr. Felix Zandman, Vishey Intertechnology chairman and CEO, said the approval - the first such one for an Israeli firm was given after many years of talks.

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owns Migdal) and Ichud Insurance Agency.

"We are preparing for the reduc-tion," Raff said. "We have established an internal team to manage the sale and to receive advise from Morgan Stanley. The sale is considered large on a local scale and also an international scale." Raff emphasized the hardships

involved in reducing the bank's 50% stake in Africa Israel. "Reducing our boldings in Africa-Israel is not a simple task," Raff said. "We have a timetable to

All potential buyers know that we

sell by the end of December 1996.

taking advantage of this situation. "Furthermore, the capital market today is not attractive to sell the company. It is difficult to go

have to meet this deadline and are

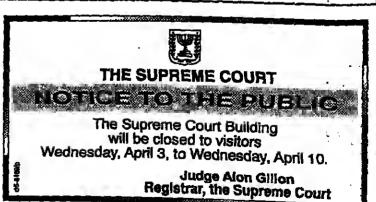
ahead with the sales and not hurt the shareholders, which in the case of Bank Leumi is the government," he said. Raff said Generali, Italy's largest insurer,

has expressed an interest in significantly increasing its share in the company, but so far there are no concrete negotiations with Leumi. He said Generali representatives visited Israel this week to take part in Migdal Insurance's board of directors meeting.

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Weaker shekel lifts shares

TEL AVIV STOCK MARKET

+0.64% Two-Sided index



STOCKS rose yesterday as the dullar strengthened egaiost the shekel, prompting arhitragers to push up stocks traded in Tel Aviv and New York

"If Teva trades at \$40 here, for example, that's about NIS 120," said Keith Phillips, analyst at the Israel desk of Societe General Strauss Turnull.

"If the shekel devalues, a purchase of the same stock might require, say, NIS 123, prompting trades to bump up the Tel Aviv price," he said.

A weaker shekel also helps exporters, whose products become less expensive for overseas huyers. They also benefit hecause they pay salaries and costs in shekels and earn revenue in

dollars.

The most active share oo the exchaoge, Eltoo Electrooic Iudustries Ltd., was up nne percent at about NIS 6 million.

Teve Pharmsceutical Iodustries Ltd. advanced 3.5%. Other stocks that traded in both cities include Koor Industries Ltd., up 2%; Tadiran Ltd., up 1 3/4%; and Elbit Ltd., up 2 1/4%.

The Maof Index was up 0.65% to 205.27, while the Two-Sided Index added 0.64% to 195.64.

The shekel traded as low as 3.14 per dollar, finishing at 3.128 against 3.108 on Tuesday.

Some NIS 80m. of shares traded across the Tel Aviv Stock Exchange, which is about the

FTSE closes higher

WORLD MARKET ROUNDUP

shares closed mostly higher after two days of losses, helped hy steadier gilts and led by gains in British Aerospace and heavilyweighted oil stocks.

The advance was pared by the cluse as US markets turned mixed after comments from Federal Reserve chairman Alen Greenspan doused hopes for lower US interest rates. The FTSE 100 closed 11.5 points higher at

TOKYO - The Nikkei stock average closed at a 21-month high, hunyed hy fresh demand from institutional investors and persistent buying by fareigners. Brokers said sentiment was improving because of prospects for

LONDON (Reuter) - British, economic recovery and progress with the hudget in parliament. The Nikkei average index ended up 315.21 points, nr 1.50 percent to 21,329.98.

HONG KONG - Stocks closed solidly higher, supported hy late buying on hopes of positive bluechip earnings reports today. The blue-chip Hang Seng Index jumped 82.10 points to end at the

day high of 11,066.57.

SYDNEY - The share market spent another aimless day to end just lower, with turnover boosted by options-related trade ahead of expiries today but with little nther action.

The All Ordinaries Index clused 1.9 pnints lower at

Dow follows bonds lower

WALL STREET REPORT

NEW YORK (Reuter) - The Dow Jones industrial average lost mure than 50 points yesterdey following a sharp drop in the bond market.

At 3:01 p.m. EST, the Dow 5,619.30, which activated the New York Stock Exchange's limits on program trading.

Until the US switches its clocks for Daylight Savings Time, the Dow-Jones results published in the paper will be from 3 p.m. New York time.

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(Continued from Page 1) steps to improve VIP security have already been taken, security sources said.

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The police and GSS saw no reason to wait for the commission tn complete its inquiry before making changes, primarily because of the immediate threat nf annther assassination attempt against a senior government leader, according to the sources.

Thrugh he would not speculate nn what the recummendations would be, Hehrew University law professor Murdechai Kremnitzer noted that "io past instances when commissions of inquiry have issued warning letters, the commission has rarely found that the warnings had oo basis."

The commission can recommend either disciplioary or legal action against individuals, Kremnitzer added.

The three-member commission - former Supreme Court president Meir Shamgar, Zvi Zamir, and Ariel Rozen-Zvi - issued the warning letters in December, The government formed the commissinn on November 8, four days after Rabin's murder.

The commission warned Gillon that he was likely to be found guilty of "not properly overseeing the organization, operations, intelligence analysis, training, preparedness, and activity of the Protection Department."

In particular, the warning stat-

in light of "intelligence information nn the plans by certain Jews tn attack the late prime minister. ** Intelligence information that

Gillnn received about an attack

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nn Rahin was nnt prnperly checked nut and shared with nther afficers in the GSS and police. the warning letter stated. Similar allegations of poor organization and failure to take action in light of intelligence infor-mation about a pending attack on

Rahin were lodged against the Protection Department chief in the warning letter he received. The VIP Protection Unit chief. the Operations Unit chief, and the commander of the GSS squad at the scene were all found to have failed in their particular du-

ties oo the night of the assassination. The commander of the GSS Noo-Arab Affeirs Department

officer was also issued a warning letter. "[He] did not check to make sure that information he gathered

on plans for an attack by certain Jews was passed on as it should have been to the police," according to the letter. After being issued the warning

letters, Shoval and the six GSS officers spent several weeks defending themselves before the commission.

The report is more than 350 pages loog and includes about 100 pages of classified material which will not be released to the public, the Justice Ministry

Magic home streak snapped

ORLANDO (AP) - Los Angeles broke Orlando's 40-game borne winning streak as Nick Van Exel scored 22 points and the Lakers went 11-of-18 on 3-point shots to beat the Magic 113-91 Tuesday

night. Eddie Joses was 3-for-3 from 3point range and had 18 points, while Magic Johnson and Elden Campbell each scored 14 for the Lakers. Los Angeles also got a boost from Cedric Ceballos's 15 poiots in his first game since returning from a four-day unexcused absence.

Orlando lost a regular season game at home for the first time since March 14, 1995, leaving Chicago (34-0) as the only team with an unblemished record on its home court.

The Magic had won 33 straight at Orlando Arena this seasoo and were trying to keep pace with the Bulls, who have won a leaguerecord 41 consecutive regularseason home games dating back to last spring. Hawks 114, Raptors 111

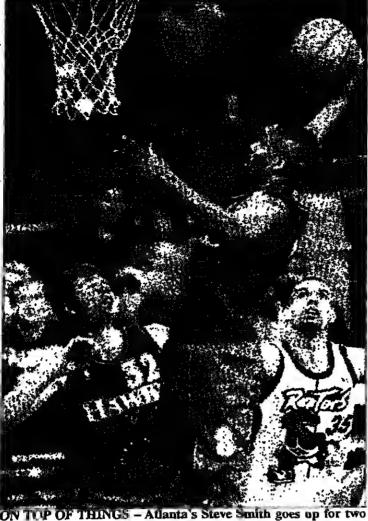
Mookie Blaylock scored 26 points and made back-to-back 3-pointers in the fourth quarter as visiting Atlanta completed a season sweep of Toronto. The Raptors had a chance to the the game at the end, but Oliver Miller missed a 3-pointer at the final buzzer.
Steve Smith added 23 points and
Christian Lacturer 22 for Atlanta, which won its fourth straight game.

Damon Stoudamire scored 30 for

the second straight game, tying his career-high, and Tracy Murray also had 30 for the Raptors. Knicks 83, Rockets 74 John Starks scored 21 points and

New York withstood a startling third-quarter comeback by Houston's injury-depleted lineup.

The Knicks almost blew a 22-point



points during the Hawks-Raptors game Tuesday.

Hnuston starters Hakeem Olajuwon and Robert Horry missed the game

Rockets pulled within three points with 8:25 left in the game before finalwith knee lendinitis. Mario Elie, Sam Cassell and Clyde Drexier already were out because of injuries. It was the fifth consecutive loss for

Charles Barkley converted a threepoint play with 31 seconds left and Kevin Johnson made four free throws

in the final 20.7 seconds.

Barkley, who also had 12 rebounds, scored 17 of his 29 points in the sec-ond quarter when host Phoenix come back from one of the slowest starts in franchise history to lead 51-47 at half-

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Sampras, Agassi, Chang, Courier advance to quarters

KEY BISCAYNE, Florida (Reuter) - Americans Pete Sampras, Andre Agassi, Michael Chang and Jini Sampras, Andre Agassi, Michael Chang and Jini Courier all advanced to the \$4.1 million Lipton Championships quarter finals with vistodes on the strokes, the top-ranked Sampras broke three times to strokes. Championships quarter-finals with victories on

Sampras played brilliantly to upend fellow American Todd Martin 6-3, 6-4. Agassi, struggling in his first two outings, finally found his rhythm for a 6-4, 6-4 victory over Canada's Schastien Lareau.

Courier, however, struggled past Australia's Michael Tebbutt 3-6, 6-4, 7-5 and Michael Chang barely edged tough Czecb Petr Korda 6-3, 3-6, 6-3. Sixth-seeded Goran Ivanisevic of Croatia also

advanced, as did Arnaud Boetsch of France. Upstart Americans Micbael Joyce and Vince Spadea, scoring upset victories over Marc Rossel of Switzerland and Richard Krajicek of the Netherlands respectively, round out the men's quarter-finals.

On the women's side, top-ranked and top-seeded Steffi Graf struggled to beat fifth-seeded Kimiko Date of Japan 7-6 (7-4) 6-3 and reach the semifinals against eighth-seeded American Lindsay Davenport, who scored a quick 6-0 6-1 victory over third-seeded German Anke Huber.

Playing his relaxed front-runner role to perfection. Sampras appeared harely troubled by the 6-foot-4

Martin's towering presence on court.

With first serves slamming in at 130 mpb even late

weeks now," said Sampras, 24, shooting to regain the top ranking with a tournament victory here. 'T was keen to play well this match, got off to a really good start and, as the match went on, started playing better

and better." Agassi found some relief for his troubled play here in his match against Lareau, ranked 139th. Despite the Canadian's 14 aces, Agassi still managed to break three times thanks to improved baseline play and his own strong serving, which included four aces.

"It's kind of a surprise, huh? Feels good," a sarcastic Agassi said when asked how the straight-sets win

"Nice to get up in the second set and manage to close it out," he continued. "But still I don't feel like I'm hitting every shot with 100 percent commitment."

On court for just over two hours. Courier and the 96th-ranked Tebbutt battled fiercely to gain a foothold in the match. In the final set, after two exchanges of service breaks, Courier broke Tebbutt at love to take a 6-5 lead and then held his own serve

for the match. Courier won just 92 points to Tebbutt's 94.

Israel beats Zimbabwe in Fed Cup

ISRAEL swept to an easy 3-0 win over Zimbabwe yesterday as the skies finally cleared on the third day of the Fed Cup Europe/Africa Qualifying II event in Ramat

Hila Rosen led Israel, winning 6-2, 7-6(7/3) against Julia Murr and Nataly Cahana bear Paula lversen 6-2, 6-2.

Anna Smashnova, still overcoming her jetlag, did not play yesterday but will join ber teammates today against Macedonia HEATHER CHAIT

which lost to Luxembourg 2-1. Cahana and Tzippi Obziler joined forces in the doubles against Muir and Iversen, to win. 6-4, 6-3.

Israel also won her outstanding doubles Group C game, post-poned from Monday, against Estonia to complete a 3-0 win.

In other results, top seed Poland lost exactly one game in its 3-0 devastation of Botswana and Lithuania beat Ethiopia by the same margin in Group A. In Group B, Turkey and Tunisia beat Lichtenstein and Cyprus respectively, each winning 3-0.

Ukraine, seeded second, defeated Denmark 3-0 and Ireland also beat Iceland 3-0 in Group D.

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Muster: There's no affair between me and Fergie

the world number one in tennis, said yesterday he has a purely platonic relationship with the Duchess of York - now busy revantping her image with a glamorous new lifestyle.

Muster, who has broken up with a law student-girlfriend, rejected media reports of an affair with the controversial, flame-haired Sarah Ferguson ("Fergie"). daughter-in-law of British Queen Elizabeth.

"She has become a good friend over the last few months. But it really is a purely platonic reladonship. limited for weeks to just telephone calls," Muster, 28. told News magazine, which hits the stands today.

- Countering a barrage of abloid reports claiming

the two were having an affair, Muster said: "She's the one suffering from this....the whole affair doesn't bother me because I am not having an

The blonde champion's mother Inge was quoted by Britain's Daily Mirror this week as saying: "This Fergie has turned his head, so he thinks of nothing

"We are simple people. Why should somebody from the British royal family want to chase all around the world with our son?

"The trouble is that be's been bewitched by this duchess and the chance to hobnob with royalty." The high-spending Ferguson, battling to settle up

with the claims of creditors, astonished Britons this week with a slimmed-down look, with chalk-white facial cosmetics. -

This style change for the high-spirited, occasionally-dumpy, 36-year-old mother of two prompted one commentator to remark that she looked like singer Michael Jackson oo a bad makeup day.

Welcome to 'the Mario Lemieux show'

PITTSBURGH (Reuter) - It was somewhere else." the Mario Lemieux sbow, in honor of Austin Nicholas Lemieux.

Lemieux celebrated the birth of his first son with five goals and two assists to lead the surging Pittsburgh Penguins past the St. Louis Blues 8-4 Tuesday.

Lemieux, wbose son was born Sunday three months premature, bad his second seven-point game of the season and recorded his 37th career bat trick. Lemieux, who has scored five goals in a game three times, bas had eight points in contest twice.

"As you all know, it has been very difficult for myself and my family for the past few months," Lemieux said. "By the way I was playing, I think everyone knew something was np. I was not able to play very well. My head was

Scoring twice in each of the first two periods. Lemieux passed the 60-goal plateau for the fourth time. His second assist gave him 800 in his career, 17th best in NHL history.

Lemieux had two goals at even strength, two power-play tallies. and a short-handed score.

"It was the Mario Lemieux show, that's all," said Penguins coach Ed Johnston. "It's nice to see him very relaxed out there. especially in the locker room

before the game."
"It was Mario's show, no question about that," said Blues coach Mike Keenan. "He put on quite a

TUESDAY'S RESULTS: Pittsburgh 8, St. Louis 4 Washington 7, N.Y. Islanders 1 New Jersey 6, Tampa Bay 4 Winnipeg 8, Dallas 2

Jets 8, Stars 2 Keith Tkachuk had four goals and an assist and Igor Korolev and Dallas Drake each scored twice as visiting Winnipeg took sole pos-session of the final playoff spot in the Western Conference.

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Diego Maradona will swap soccer boots for boxing gloves to fight a former world champion in an exhibition fight next week.

"It's not a serious fight." Maradona's opponent, former World Boxing Association flyweight champion Santos Laciar said

NEWS IN BRIEF

yesterday.
"But Diego knows how to throw a punch, he has trained a hit.
The rest will be up to me, hopefully." Reide

50 meters butterfly record broken Britain's Mark Foster set a world 50 meters butterfly long-course

Maradona heads for the ring

best time of 24.07 seconds in Cardiff on Tuesday. Foster bettered the previous time of 24.27 set by Sweden's Jan Karlsson in Norrkoeping, Sweden, in July 1994.

'Bam' Morris indicted on drug charges;
Pittsburgh Steelers running back Byr Morris was indicted by a Texas grand jury on Tuesday on cocaine and

of marijuana and 1.5 grams of cocaine in his car after stopping him

Criminal District Attorney Ray Surarow said the grand jury handed down two indictments against Morris for possession of cocaine and marijuana while his friend Rodney Reynolds was indicted on

Mets pitchers on disabled list

The New York Mets put Bill Pulsipher and Pete Harnisch on the 15-day disabled list Tuesday and so will begin the season without two pitchers who figured to be in their starting rotation.

Rabkin beats opponent from Singapore Jeff Rabkin beat Singapore's Hon Yoong Chai of Singapore 25-6 in the World Bowls Championships yesterday. He next plays Canada's representative in an important game and will be seeking points for a chance to oust the country from the eighth overall

Israel's fours semped through 18-17 against Fiji after the last Fijian bowl narrowly missed. In the next round, the team beat

Israel and Wales, each unbeaten in the section, are still scheduled to play each other, Wales also having scraped through against Fiji by a single shot Norman Spiro

Israel hockey team loses to Lithuania Alex Avital and Evgenii Feldman each scored for Israel in the World Ice Hockey Championships being played in Kaunas, Lithuania on Tuesday. But it was not enough as the team lost 7-2

Today Israel plays Belgium. Nitsan Shahar, Reuter

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for a traffic violation near the Texas town of Rockwall.

qualifying position.

Zambia 35-11, in a match which included an 8-count on the last

On Monday, Israel drew 3-3 with Bulgaria in its opening game in the Pool D category, but later suffered a technical loss for having immigrant players who had not resided in Israel long enough to meet tournament regulations.

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SAXOPHONIST Dove Liebman played with Miles Davis in the '40s and went on to have a great career as a soloist, composer and teacher. Here he'll play his own music - a fusion of contemporary sound and improvisation - with pianist Miko Naronski, Eli Magen on bass and a string quartet. This last concert in the Jazz Off Center series is at the Tel Aviv Museum tooight at 9.

For the third year in a row the French Institute presents French jazz and all kinds of ethnic music at Tzavta Tel Aviv. Bustan Avraham, whose lively east/west rhythms have been heard at the Israel Festival, appears tomorrow at 8, and at 10 it's violinist Didier Lockwood and guitarist Bireli Lagrene,

At the same venue on Saturday at 8, Thierry Robin (on acoustic guitar, bouzouki and oud) and his sextet perform a selection of Gypsy music. At 10, Algerian-born pianist Martial Solal leads a musically eclectic jazz trio. Solal's compositions draw from Dave Liebman. Stravinsky to Art Tatum and beyond.

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The last concert in the Jazz Off Center series features

CLASSICAL MUSIC

MICHAEL AJZENSTADT

THE exceptional Tallis Scholars are at the Tel Aviv Performing Arts Center tonight (8:30) performing a combination of English and Italian Renaissance music. There is an extra coocert tomorrow at Kibbutz Mizra.

Also in Tel Aviv tonight you can eojoy a special program entitled "Mozart and Freud: The Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit" - a lecture-concert presented by David Gurevitch with cellist Micbael Haran and some of his musical friends. 9:30 at the Enav Center.

The Israel Chamber Orchestra plays Bach and Telemann tomorrow (12:30) at the Tel Aviv Museum. The soloists are violinist Vladimir Reider, flutist Michael Weintraub and recorder players Michael Meltzer, Yael Shimshoni and Sarig Sela.

The Israeli Quartet performs quartets by Mozart, Schubert and Beethoven, Saturday (1) a.m.) at Tel Aviv's Tzavta.

The Israel Woodwind Quintet with pianist Ohad Ben-Ari performs chamber music by Mozart and Nielsen as well as Berio's enchanting Opus Zoo, Saturday at the Israel Music Conservatory in Tel Aviv (8:30).

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25 Tail cut to a point (4)

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TELEVISION

MICHAEL AJZENSTADT

THOSE familiar with the haunting melodies of composers such as Smetana, Dvorak and Janacek will revel in Sunday Morning, a 30-minute 1992 Czech Television program which showcases a wide selection of traditional folk songs shot on location, in the fields, taverns and beautiful countryside of the Czech Republic. Channel 8 tomorrow evening (10:30) and Saturday (4).

DANCE

MICHAEL AJZENSTADT

THE Kibbutz Contemporary Dance Company celebrates its 25th anniversary with three special performances this weekend in the north. Saturday (11 a.m.) at Kibbutz Kabri the company presents its family program with Peter and the Wolf and The Carnival of the Animals. Saturday (8:30) at Heichal Hatarbut in Nahariya one can see Rami Be'er's gripping and exceptionally well-performed Aide Memoire while Sunday at the same venue you can see Be'er's more recent opus, Makomshehu, also at 8:30.

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Business 21:30 Food for Thought -

five-part nature and science series 22:00 70 Faces 22:30 Spirited Talk -

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SUPER CHANNEL

6:00 Barbary Blues 6:30 Voyager 7:00 The Selina Scott Show 8:00 NBC News with Torn Brokaw 8:30 ITN World News 9:00 Today: International Magazine 11:00 Super Shop 12:00 European Money Wheel 16:30 Wall Street Morning Reports – live 18:00 US Money Wheel 19:30 FT Business Tonight 20:00 ITN News 20:30 Adventures 21:30 The Selina Scott Show 22:30 NBC News 23:30 iTN News 00:00 NCAA Basketball 1:00 The Toright Show with Jay Leno 2:00 Late Night with Conan O'Brien

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18:00 New CDs — Carnegie Hall
Project: American Youth Orch cond.
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theme by Haydin on 564; R. Strauss: theme by Haydn op 56A; R. Strauss: Symphony no 9; Smetana: Tha Bartered Bride overture. Last-minute acquisitions 20:05 From the Recording Studio - Cilla Grossmeyer (soprano), Adine Har-Oz (harp). Selection of Renaissance folk songs; selection of folk songs arr. Watkins and Britten; Ravel: 5 Greek Songs; Hovhaness: In the Garden of Adonis 21:00 Clouds, Celebrations and Sirens 23:00 From the Record Shelf

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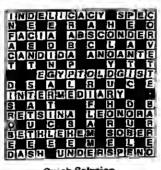
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AROUND THE WORLD

ISRAEL will not leave Hebron, as it was scheduled to today, until the Palestinians rein in terrorists, Foreign Minister Ehud Barak said yesterday.

He also suggested that final status talks, set to begin in May, may be delayed unless Palestinian Authority President Yasser Arafat cracks down harder on Islamic militants.

"When the blood of our people is spilling in the streets, we cannot negotiate, or redeploy from Hebron, or consider the modalities of permanent status negotiations," Barak told the annual convention of the International Press Institute, which drew 300 editors and media executives from 85

"I hope the situation will be created where we can reopen full-scale negotiations with the Palestinians, but at least partially

it is up to them," he said. "There is no justification for dealing with a political entity if it can't exert the most hasic attribute of a political entity - namely the monopoly of the use of power and the holding of weapons.

Barak said he believed Arafat needed to do more to rein in Islamic militants, but conceded that the Palestinians have rounded up hundreds of Hamas and Islamic Jihad activists.

He said Israel is willing to open a dialogue with the Islamic fundamentalists if they abandon terror-ism, participate in elections, and settle disputes "in air-conditioned rooms and not through the pulling of triggers.

"If the Palesunian people will elect one of them to sit on top over there, which I don't believe [will happen], we will talk to him," he

He said he is "not very opti-mistic" about Israel-Syria talks resuming soon, but that they could get back on track after the elections.

"I believe we should find a way to resume discussions with the Syrians. It might take a few weeks. It might come just after our elections. I believe we should renew this," he said.

In her speech at the conference, PA Council member Hanan Ashrawi said the closure has caused anger and resentment.

You cannot ... get locked in this self-perpetuating cycle of vio-lence and reprisal. Ashrawi said. What we need is the courage and vision to break out of the cycle ... and deal with the causes."

She said outside help is needed

to break the impasse. "We need neutral intervention

and not just the Americans, Ashrawi said. (AP)

IDF redeployment in Hebron likely only after elections

IT'S no surprise the IDF is still in Hebron today. Defense sources say the troops are likely to remain there until at least after Pessah, even though it is a violation of the Oslo accords.

Prime Minister Shimon Peres has conditioned the withdrawal upon the Palestinians capturing Mohammed Deif, the mastermind of the latest bus bombings, and changing the clauses in the Palestine Covenant calling for Israel's destruction. These were conditions which could hardly be met by the midnight deadline.

Most rechnical excuses are no longer valid, since the IDF has already removed much of its equipment from the areas it is to vacate in Hebron, and the bypass road is practically complete. In fact, IDF commanders and defense officials say the redeployment probably could take place in

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about six hours.

Israel is using Hebron as a lever to exert more pressure on the Palestinian Authority to crack down on Islamic militants. But Israel's hesitation equally derives from its fears that handing over 90 percent of the city, a Hamas hotbed, to the Palestinians would make the entire country more vulnerable to attacks.

In the race for prime minister, Peres has sidelined his visionary image and appears to have taken up Yitzhak Rabin's "Mr. Security" role. Since another terrorist attack could give Binyamin Netanyahu the edge. it is questionable whether Peres will order the withdrawal from Hebron before the May 29 elections.

However, Peres may want to set

facis on the ground to contend with all post-election scenarios. And Palestinians argue that having PA President Yasser Arafai's Palestinian Police on the ground in Hebron would give him an edge in controlling Islamic militants there.

As far as the Palestinians are concerned, they see the failure to redeploy from Hebron as a broken promise which will only cause a further erosion of Palestinian support for the peace process.

We are not prepared to pay the invoice for Peres's election. They are making a big mistake and the support of the population for the peace process is decreasing daily," said Jamil Tarifi, PA minister of civil affairs.

Still, at this stage, the govern-ment is more likely to listen to the pleas to stay put from Jewish set-tlers in Hebron and Kiryat Arba.

Hamas. They oppose an Arab

request to discuss the economic

plight of Palestinians caused by the

- "We are doing our duty by crack-ing down on Hamas and hitting its

infrastructure," Salam told Reuters.

"But there are thousands of families

which depend on Hamas's institu-

tions for living and if we close them.

Israeli officials said the meeting

would focus on security measures to

save the Israeli-Palestinian peace

Egypt, which co-hosted the Sharm e-Sheikh summit, and France also

In another development, Nayef

Hawatmeh, leader of the Democratic

Front for the Liberation of Palestine,

has put in a formal request to return to

the territories to attend the Palestine

National Council meeting expected to

take place next month, Palestinian

and Israeli spokesmen said yesterday.

number of terror attacks, including

the 1974 massacre of 22 pupils and

soldiers at a school in Ma'alot, has

expressed support recently for the

PNC amending its anti-Israel

However, the changes he has sup-

ported reflect only a slight difference

in his viewpoint. In a DFLP leaflet

released in Damascus on Monday, his

group called for the covenant to be

changed "so it will adhere to interna-

Shlomo Dror, spokesman for the

tional law."

Hawatmeh, who was behind a

these families will starve."

want the agenda widened.



Florence mayor Maria Primicerio Stanos stands next to the replica statue of David which was unveiled at the Citadel in Jerusalem yesterday.

Hebron Jews wonder about their future

SINCE the signing of Oslo 2 in September, Hebron's 450 Jews have largely gauged time against one date. March 28.

NEWS

On this day, the IDF was sup-posed to redeploy from the city. On this day, Hebron was supposed to go the way of Jenin, Talkarm, Nablus, Kulkilya, Ramallah, and Bethlehem. The day was etched in the minds of Hebron's settlement activists, who prefaced their protests - including furious lobbying efforts - with words like

only 20 more days. Then the bombs blew up in Jerusalem and Tel Aviv and it turned out that two of the suicide bombers came from the Hebron area. And everything changed ... at least for the time being.

"I feel as if we have been given a renewed lease on life," said Orii Shtruck, who lives in the Avraham Avinu compound. "There is mercy. Under the Oslo accords, the IDF was to pull back to certain defined areas in Hebron today, giving the Palestinian Authority control over

much of the city. The IDF, until the bomb went off outside Dizengoff Center on March 4. was busy bringing in bulletproof guard-posts to the HERB KEINON

Jewish compounds, purting up new roadblocks around the Machpela Cave and the Jewish neighborhoods, and negotiating with the Jews to have them replace the glass in their living room windows with bulletproof glass.

This all stopped. Instead, settlement spokesman David Wilder said, the IDF began a "tremendous tightening of security."

Hebron's settlers maintain that, for all intents and purposes, the IDF effectively withdrew from much of Hebron after the PA Council elections on January 20.

Technically, the IDF was still in control of the whole city. Wilder said, but the situation on the ground was different. Settlers reported hearing round after round of gunfire in the city every night and complained that the IDF was not doing anything about it.

"Now the IDF has set up roadblocks," Wilder said. "Soldiers stop people in the street. They check identification cards. They act as they used to act."

The settlers are hoping, praying, that the situation continues. They

calculate that it is not in Shimon

Peres's political interest to leave the city now. They figure that he doesn't want to risk a disaster accompanying the pullout, and does not want to alienate the haredi voters to whom Hebron is dear.

This is what they want to believe. But neither Shruck nor Wilder will say unequivocally that there will be no pullout until after the elections. And both believe the IDF is capable of redeploying in a couple hours, without giving the

settlers advance warning.

They don't have to tell us if they are going to leave," Shtruck said. They don't see us as a parmer."

"They could very well pull out ithout telling us," Wilder said. "Peres might say he won't do it to stop any protest. He knows that if they pull out here, it would not go smoothly like everywhere else. People here will not just sit home and wave good-hye."

Not everyone agrees. Ya acov Ben-Taria is a physician who moved his family of seven to Hebron from Elkana two years ago. "If my brothers decide to aban-

don me, what can I do," he said. "Jibril Rajoub's men will be 100 meters from my home. If that is not abandonment, what is?"

Christian group aids terror victims

queen of clubs.

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In yesterday's Mifal Hapayis dai-

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cards were the ten of spades, ace

of hearts, eight of diamonds, and

THE leader of an American-based global Christian organization has launched an aid campaign for Israeli victims of terror.

The move began as a spontaneous gesture by George Otis, bead of the Pentecostal High Adventure Ministries, during a recent meeting of the movement's leadership in Los Angeles.

"The meeting took place shortly after the Dizengoff suicide attack and Otis, who has been a good and very close friend of Israel for many years, said something had to he done other than offering prayers and sending condolences," said Yitzhak Gronberg, an Israeli tour operator, who was present at the meeting.

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Otis, who runs a network of Christian radio stations around the world, including the Voice of Hope station in south Lebanon, has in the past helped with charitable donations for residents of the security zone and the South Lebanese Army.

There and then, the participants at the meeting, as well as Otis himself, donated a total of \$10,000, which I brought back to Israel with me and have given to the authorities to aid the terror attack victims," said Gronberg.

"Otis intends to continue the campaign through the auspices of his chain of newspapers and radio stations, as well as in broadcasts on television in the US," said

Washington anti-terror conference opens mired in a dispute over its aims. News agencies PALESTINIANS will tell today's The US and Israel want it to focus on technical aspects of combaning

Washington anti-terror conference that they need S1 billion to fight Hamas, a PLO official said yesterday. Khaled Salam, economic aide to

Palestinian Authority President Yasser Arafat, said the money would be used to relieve hardships caused by the closure, and to take over schools. clinics, and social services run by

Islamic institutions help thousands of impoverished families in the West Bank and Gaza Strip, but serve as a breeding ground for terrorists, PLO and Israeli officials say.

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Hizbullah leader visits 'troops' in south Lebanon

HIZBULLAH leader Sheikh Hassan Nasrallah has reportedly visited members of the organization's fighting arm in south Lebanon to praise them for their recent wave of attacks on the IDF and South Lebanese Army.

News of the secret visit was announced

government coordinator in the territories, confirmed the PA had forwarded Hawarmeh's request. However, no answer has been given yet, he said.

yesterday

Hizbullah radio. The reported visit was seen by some observers as a gesture of DAVID RUDGE

defiance by the Hizbullah leader, designed to demonstrate his and the organization's ability to move about freely in south Lebanon without fear of any IDF reprisals. Hizbullah radio said Nasrallah had

praised the men for "striking fear into the hearts of the Zionist occupiers."

Israel, he reportedly said, had retreated from its threats of retaliation because of "it doesn't have the opportunity to hit us," not because of US pressure.

"The Americans want to impose a new equation in the south whereby all resistance activities would cease in return for Israel not launching a major operation, while our land remains occupied and our brothers and sisters are held hostage in their prisons," Nasraliah was quoted as saying.

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